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THE WAR IN FRANCE.

New French Batteries Unmasked South of Paris—The German Fire Silenced Them.

VERSAILLES, Jan. 16—The French, today, unmasked some fresh batteries on the south side of Paris. Their fire was immediately encountered by the German batteries, and was quickly silenced. The German loss was only two officers and seventeen men.

A Prussian Complaint of Firing on Flags of Truce—Mr. Washburne the Medium of Communication.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Mr. WASHBURNE, the American Minister, communicated to Gen. TROCHU a complaint from Count BISMARCK, that the French fired on flags of truce. Gen. TROCHU, in reply, says the firing was accidental, and cites similar accidents on the German side.

Details of the Operations Near Le Mans—Twenty Thousand French Prisoners Taken, Chanzy in a New and Strong Position—His Explanation of His Defeat at Le Mans.

LONDON, Jan. 17—A. M.—A dispatch from Versailles, 16th, says the details of the pursuit of Gen. CHANZY are coming to hand. On the 12th, when ten miles west of Le Mans, the French were driven into a disorderly retreat, with the loss in the engagement of 400 prisoners. Camp Conlie was taken after the firing of a few shots, but the large stores of material of war recently there had been carried off by the retreating French. Beaumont was occupied without notable resistance, and there 1,000 prisoners were taken.

King WILLIAM telegraphs to Queen AUGUSTA from Versailles, 16th, that the number of prisoners captured in and since the battles of Le Mans has increased to fully 20,000. Four locomotives and 400 wagons are among the spoils.

Advices from Laval of the 16th state that the army of Gen. CHANZY has retreated in excellent order, and reached its new positions on the 14th inst. Fifty thousand French troops had left Cherbourg to reinforce CHANZY, and others were to be sent at once to the front.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Gen. CHANZY announces the appearance of the enemy's columns in the vicinity of his forces on Sunday night, and that an engagement took place with their van guard. The General has issued an order of the day to the Army of the Loire, explanatory of the recent disaster, and calling for the display of all their soldierly qualities in an effort for its reparation. He attributes the abandonment of Le Mans by the army to an inexplicable panic among some of the troops, and the loss of important positions, which compromised the safety of the entire army, and the failure to execute certain orders given by himself. He says, nevertheless, that a supreme effort on the part of the army may yet save the country, and appeals in strong terms to the soldiers to rally to his support, and to fight with renewed vigor for liberty and the Republic.

German Account of their Defeat Near Glien—Several Prussian Officers Killed.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—A dispatch from Versailles says a German detachment was attacked at Briare, six miles from Gien, on the 14th, by a superior French force, but succeeded in escaping by cutting its way through the enemy's lines.

LONDON, Jan. 16—5½ P. M.—A dispatch from Bordeaux says that in the fight at Gien, as a result of which the enemy were driven from that place, several Prussian officers were killed.

Operations in the North and East—French Reinforcements in the North—Von Werder Repulsed on Attack South of Belfort.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—A dispatch from Laval, 16th, says that reinforcements were to be sent from Cherbourg to the Army of the North, and that fresh recruits were continually arriving at Cherbourg.

VERSAILLES, Jan. 16.—Gen. VON WERDER was seriously attacked yesterday by four French corps in his position south of Belfort. The battle lasted nine hours, and the attack was victoriously repelled at all points. The German loss was only 200.

The French Army of the North Advancing—Strong Reinforcements.

LILLE, Jan. 17.—The Army of the North is advancing again toward the Somme, carefully feeling its way, and meeting with no opposition. Gen. FAIDHERBE has recommitted the passages of the river, and discovered that the enemy have destroyed the bridges, and barricaded the villages on the left bank. Though the ground is slippery and military movements are difficult, the entire army is in motion. Gen. FAIDHERBE has been heavily reinforced with men and material of war, and has commenced a series of manœuvres from which great results are expected.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

An English Member of Parliament on the War and the Alabama Claims—England Advised to Keep Out of the Continental Quarrel—Motion Blamed on Mr. Schenck.

LONDON, Jan. 17, 1 A. M.—Right Hon. WILLIAM E. FORSTER delivered an address last evening to his constituents, at Bradford, in the course of which he alluded to the Franco-Prussian war, and also to the Alabama question. As to the former, he said that at the outset his sympathies were with Germany in her resistance to invasion by the French, and now they were with France, which was resisting invasion by the Germans. He, however, deprecated the assumption of any partizanship by the people of England, and any interference on the part of the English Government in the struggle. In his allusion to the question of the Alabama claims, Mr. FORSTER said he had good reason to hope that the new Minister from the United States, Mr. SCHENCK, would be a powerful agent in the removal of the feeling of estrangement which at present divides the people of England and America.

SOUTH AMERICA.

A Brazilian War Loan Opened—Election of a President in Paraguay—The Uruguay and Entre Rios Revolts.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The mail steamer from South America has arrived at Lisbon with advices from Rio Janeiro to Dec. 22. A Brazilian military loan of 12,000 contos had been opened. Señor RIVOLO has been elected President of Paraguay. The revolutions in Uruguay and Entre Rios continued, but there had been no fighting since the date of the last advices.

CUBA.

Surrender of Insurgent Leaders in the Cocoa District—Tranquillity Restored.

HAVANA, Jan. 17.—The insurgent Gen. DAMASO MARRUGA, Gov. JOSE TRUJILLO and Capt. SALVADOR RODRIGUEZ, the leaders of the Cienaga de Zapaje insurgents, and six others, surrendered yesterday to Commissioner VALMADE RODRIGUEZ, who subsequently returned to bring in the rest of the insurgents. This surrender finishes the insurrection in the Cienaga and Eusenada de Cocoinos, and restores tranquillity in the Celon district.

BURNING OF THE M'GILL.

Fifty-Eight Elves Lost—Inhuman Conduct of Raftmen—Instead of Saving Life With their Boats they Pick up Cotton and Pillage.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 17.—It is now thought that fifty-eight lives were lost by the burning of the steam-boat *T. L. McGill*, on Sunday night, on Shoo-fly Bar, in the Mississippi River. Among the passengers were JOHN L. SCHOLLEN and wife, of Quincy, Ill. The bodies of Capt. TOMPKINS, and McFARLAND, the first clerk, have not been found. Officer YANCEY states that the raftmen belonging to the American Timber Company, whose rafts were aground at the time of the disaster, might have saved many lives with their skiffs, but paid no attention to the cries of distress, busying themselves in taking cotton and pillaging.

THE WEST.

A Forty-eight Hours' Snow-Storm—Streets of Chicago Covered to the Depth of Twenty-one Inches—Burning of a Pork-Packing Establishment—Cutlery Works Burned in Chicago—Fire in Lima, Ohio.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 16.—The first great snow-storm of the season, which terminated last night about 11 o'clock, continued for forty-eight hours. The snow this morning is from twenty to twenty-one inches deep on a level, and is generally badly drifted. Many of the streets are almost impassable. The railroad trains have been but little interrupted, as the storm extended only a few miles out of the city. The conductor of a freight-train, named LOOK, and a trakeman named WILLIAMS, on the Michigan Southern Railroad, while engaged in shoveling snow from in front of their train, near Englewood, last evening, were run over by a locomotive coming from an opposite direction, and almost instantly killed.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—The telegraph lines east and south have been disabled during the day in consequence of the storm. The large slaughtering and packing establishment of ARMOUR & Co., at the corner of Halt-street and Archer-avenue took fire at an early hour this morning, and was completely destroyed. The main portion of the establishment was built of brick, and was of immense size. In the pens there were about 4,000 live hogs, all of which were rescued, and 2,000 dressed hogs, which were saved from the flames. The loss on the building is $40,000, fully insured. Some 200 persons are thrown out of employment by the disaster. During the progress of the fire, FRANCIS HUGO, THOS. BARRY and CLAUDE BLAIR were seriously injured, and RICHARD DURACH slightly, by the falling walls. The fire was caused by the explosion of a gasoline lamp in the tool-room. The American Cutlery Works, on Ewing-street, between Halsted-street and Blue Island-avenue, were burned last night, with the entire contents. The loss is estimated at $60,000, with an insurance of $25,000. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Jan. 17.—Fire broke out in Lima, Ohio, at about 10 o'clock last night in a large business house on the public square, and as last accounts was spreading fearfully. The firemen had but one small engine and were unable to check the conflagration. The principal losers are F. A. WHEELER, drug-store; MOORE & Co., dry goods; KING & PARHAM, hardware; JACKSON, book-store; KRAUSS, photograph gallery, and G. FRIESCE, clothing-store. A portion of the goods were saved in a damaged condition.

Indiana Improvement Bonds—The Ohio Legislature on the Third District Case.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 17.—The Senate, this afternoon, passed a resolution recognizing the validity of a few outstanding internal improvement bonds, and a resolution condemning the Wabash and Erie Canal claim.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 17.—The Senate, today, adopted a resolution, declaring it to have been Gov. HAYES' duty to order a special election in the Third District, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of R. C. SCHENCK, and that it is now his duty to do so. A bill passed the House providing for a vote at the next October election on the question of holding a Constitutional Convention. A resolution was adopted by the House providing for a joint committee to visit the graves of Gen. W. H. HARRISON and Gen. T. L. HAINES, with a view of erecting suitable monuments over them.

THE SOUTH.

Message of Gov. Scott, of South Carolina, on the Recent Outrages—Why a Military Force was not Sent Into the Disturbed Counties—Lee and Thomas in the Virginia Senate.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 17.—Gov. SCOTT yesterday sent a message to the Legislature in reply to a concurrent resolution asking why a military force for the protection of life, liberty and property, had not been sent into the riotous and refractory counties of the State; and why the outlaws in those counties have not been brought to condign punishment. The Governor says:

While I deeply deplore the disturbances to which your resolution refers, I can scarcely venture, as the Executive of the State, to pronounce any of its counties riotous and refractory upon the reported cases of individual outrage; and while no information has been received in this office indicating anything of a county organization to defy or defeat the laws, I cannot say with truth, upon any information in my possession, that in any section of the State the laws are not executed; for not a single case has been reported in which the officers of the law have been resisted in the discharge of their duties. There is no invasion which I am called upon to repel; no insurrection which I am called upon to suppress. But if there was any portion of the State in which violence and disorder were so general as to disarm the power of the civil courts, I may say frankly that I have no such militia force as would be competent to suppress them, and if I had, I have no means to place and maintain such a force in the field. If, by the outlaws who have not been brought to condign punishment, you mean those individuals who have lately perpetrated the outrages in the Counties of Spartanburg and Union, I can only say that every effort has been made that could lawfully be made by the Executive to discover those criminals and bring them to a speedy trial. It is my opinion that the civil law of the State ought to be sufficient, and I may add that I believe that it shall be sufficient to protect the peaceable and law-abiding citizen of the State against lawless violence, tumultuous or obnoxious. I cannot bring myself to contemplate the use of an armed force to punish individual violence of the kind in a time of profound peace. Such a remedy would be worse than the disease, and would be a public declaration that there was no civil government in South Carolina, and that we are living in a condition of social anarchy. I am bound by my oath of office as the Executive of this State, and in reverence for those principles of constitutional liberty, which are the vital force of free republicanism, to see that the law is duly enforced before I resort to other and dangerous powers. I dare not and will not assume that justice cannot be administered until the effort has been made, and the failure evident. It is, therefore my intentions to see that the law is enforced, and, when I fail in the effort, I will unhesitatingly call upon you for the extraordinary powers to which society must resort for self-protection; but at present I would call your attention to the fact that all the cases of reputed violence are individual violations of the law; that none of them have yet been published to me as conspiracies against the law, and that they are all within the regular jurisdiction of the criminal Courts.

The Governor concludes by suggesting measures for a more vigorous, complete and efficient organization of the machinery necessary for the administration of criminal justice.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 17.—The Senate today by an almost strict party vote, appropriated $600 for the purchase of a picture of Gen. LEE, and by the same vote refused an appropriation for the purchase of a picture of Gen. GEORGE H. THOMAS.

THE EAST.

Oliver Ames and the Union Pacific Railroad—Supposed Suicide of a Scotsman—Internal Revenue Collectors.

BOSTON, Jan. 18.—There is no truth in the report of the resignation of OLIVER AMES as President of the Union Pacific Railroad.

GEORGE HINCKLEY, aged seventy-eight, a resident of Cape Cod, on a visit to his friends in Boston, was found this morning on the sidewalk in Pembroke-street with his throat cut. It is generally supposed that he committed suicide while temporarily insane.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 17.—The Internal Revenue receipts for the State of Connecticut from the time of the organization of the Internal Revenue Department to the end of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1870, were as follows: First District, $13,129,[illegible]; Second District, $20,[illegible]; Third District, $6,[illegible]; Fourth District, $1,[illegible]. Total, $[illegible]. The collections in the Hartford, or First District, were forty-seven per cent of the entire amount, reckoning, also, the receipts for the succeeding five months.

CONNECTICUT.

The Democratic State Convention at Hartford—Renomination of the Present State Officers—The Resolutions—Convention of the State Temperance Union.

HARTFORD, Jan. 17.—The Democratic State Convention for the nomination of State officers met in this city today. The Convention was not as largely attended as usual, it being understood that no change would be made in the State ticket, and there would be no strife for places on the ticket. The Convention was called to order by A. P. BURR, Chairman of the State Central Committee, who announced that E. S. CLEVELAND, of Hampton, had been selected as temporary Chairman. Mr. CLEVELAND made no speech on taking the chair, except a brief acknowledgment of the honor conferred upon him. The usual committees were appointed. A. P. BURR, of the Hartford *Times*, was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions; WILLIAM W. EATON, of Hartford, was chosen President of the Convention; and F. A. MARDEN, of Stonington, and THOMAS WALSH, of Middletown, Secretaries.

Mr. EATON, on taking the Chair, attacked the Administration, denouncing its foreign policy, especially the San Domingo matter, the granting of public lands to railroad companies, and military interference with elections in any of the States.

The present State officers were nominated by acclamation: For Governor, JAMES E. ENGLISH; Lieutenant-Governor, JULIUS HOTCHKISS; Secretary of State, THOMAS M. WALLER; Treasurer, CHARLES M. POND; Controller, SETH H. LOGAN.

The following are the resolutions as adopted:

Resolved, That the present Federal Administration is unworthy of the confidence of the people, because it has failed to establish and sustain a proper financial policy, and thereby restore the currency of the Constitution; because it has failed to reform the abuses in the civil service, and to establish the principle of protection and diversities to overtide the idea of revenue; because it upholds and maintains taxes to an extent onerous to the people, and largely in excess of the necessities of a proper regard for the public credit and pay the expenses of the Government; because its foreign policy is weak and vacillating, and unworthy the good history of our Government; and, finally, because, in its interference in the elections, it seeks the utter destruction of the rights of the States, thereby subverting the foundation upon which the Government is based, building up a central despotism which, if unchecked, will overtide the liberties of the people.

Resolved, That the Democracy of Connecticut, following in the footsteps of their illustrious predecessors, are unalterably devoted to the principle and practice of territorial expansion and the consequent extension of our American inheritance of free, enlightened, and constitutional government; that they are, nevertheless, strongly opposed to such expansion of the territorial area of the Republic in any direction, North or South, by any other means than fair intimidation, and that the acquisition of San Domingo, in the manner and by the means now in progress by the President's Administration, is justly liable to the gravest suspicions, resembling fingers of the hand of many of our institutions, and meets with our unqualified condemnation.

Resolved, That reiterating a time-honored principle of the Democratic Party, we adopt the words of the resolution introduced into the United States Senate by Hon. CARL SCHURZ, of Missouri, in regard to the disfranchisement of 50,000 citizens of that State; that due regard for the fundamental principles of our systems of government, as well as every consideration of sound statesmanship, demands the removal of the disqualifications and disabilities of citizens; and further, we endorse the sentiment of his eloquent leader of the reformers, that the party which still attempts to proscribe and disfranchise its opponents merely for the purpose of maintaining itself in power, and of monopolizing the offices, will inevitably meet retribution over public opinion, and will be bound to go to the bottom.

Resolved, That the source of power being in the people, free schools and general education are essential to good government and the perpetuation of free institutions.

Resolved, That the appropriation by the Radical Party of nearly two hundred millions of acres of the public domain, to railroad corporations, for speculation purposes, is a most flagrant abuse of power, and deserves condemnation. The territory thus given away is greater than the entire area of Germany, embracing a population of forty-five millions, and this wasteful extravagance is crippling our resources and lessening the ability of the Government to provide free homesteads. They have parted with lands which would have provided in the future two hundred acres for each of one million families.

Resolved, That we approve of the judicious management of the Executive Department of the State, and are gratified to learn that $600,000 of the State debt is to be paid within the present fiscal year.

Resolved, That in Gov. JAMES E. ENGLISH and the gentlemen associated with him on the ticket we have the fullest confidence. We pledge to them a united and cordial support.

The annual Convention of the Connecticut State Temperance Union commenced in this city this morning. In the absence of Senator BUCKINGHAM, President of the Society, President CUMMINGS, of the Wesleyan University, presides. The morning session was mainly devoted to organization.

A Committee was appointed to request the adoption by the Democratic Convention of a resolution in favor of a State Constabulary force to enforce the laws against the liquor traffic, gambling and houses of ill-fame. The resolution was duly presented during the session of the Democratic Convention and referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Arrest of Filkins the Suspected Robber of the Albany Express—Efforts of His Friends to Establish an Alibi.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Jan. 17.—FILKINS, the suspected Albany Express robber and attempted assassin, was caught last night at Schroon. He acknowledged that he was FILKINS, but denied that he committed the crime, and asserts that he can prove his innocence. He declares that he left Albany on account of the suspicions against him. He will be taken to Albany to-night.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 17.—The friends of FILKINS, suspected of the express robbery, publish seven affidavits, which, if exact as to time, clearly prove an alibi in his case. They account for his whereabouts during all the evening of the robbery.

THE ECLIPSE.

Observations in Sicily by Prof. Hall—Extract from a Letter.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Commodore B. F. SANDS, Superintendent of the United States Naval Observatory, has transmitted to the Navy Department the following extract of a letter just received from Prof. ASAPH HALL, of the United States Navy, one of the astronomers sent to Sicily to observe the eclipse of the 22d of December last:

"The 22d of December is drawing to a close, and the eclipse is over. We have had tolerable success. The four contacts were pretty well observed during the total eclipse; the clouds covered the moon, however, I think, the physical observations somewhat doubtful. The protuberances were very well seen. They were of a pale red color, and not so bright as I expected them to be. The clouds interfere with my observations of the corona. I think I can see very little of the radiating and curved streamers characteristic of it, and the slight radiation that I saw might have been produced by the clouds. I need hardly say that the total eclipse was very beautiful sight.

"Prof. NEWCOMB and HARRISON have informed you of telegraphic work by which we connected the longitudes of Gibraltar, Malta and Syracuse."

The Canadian Fishery Negotiations—An American Schooner Captured—The Captain's Story.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 17.—The Dominion cutter *White Lady* came into port yesterday, having in tow the American schooner *Enterprise*, which was captured at Bliss Harbor, in the Bay of Fundy, for an infraction of the Fishery regulations.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—The schooner *Enterprise* (of Rockport) has been seized in British waters for making use of the British flag and register to evade the law. The Captain of the *Enterprise* says he took 150,000 herring to the United States last week, and was preparing nets to fish again.

Meteorological Report.

The following is the Signal Service report of the state of the weather and wind last night, Tuesday, Jan. 17, at 11:47 o'clock:

Place of Observation.	Barometer.	Thermometer.	Dew Point.	Direction of Wind.	Force of the Wind.	State of the Weather.
Augusta, Ga.	30.20	40	..	Calm.		Clear.
Baltimore	30.22	40	N.W.	Very gentle		Clear.
Boston	30.22	32	N.W.	Gentle.		Clear.
Buffalo	30.07	28	W.	Gentle.		Cloudy.
Charleston	30.21	48	N.E.	Gentle.		Clear.
Cincinnati	30.01	34	N.W.	Brisk.		Fair.
Cleveland	30.08	30	N.W.	Gentle.		Cloudy.
Detroit	30.07	28	N.W.	Gentle.		Cloudy.
Key West	30.10	61	W.	Gentle.		Cloudy.
Lake City	30.24	40	..	Calm.		Clear.
New Orleans	30.22	54	E.	Very gentle		Clear.
New-York	30.22	37	W.	Gentle.		Clear.
Savannah	30.22	50	N.W.	Gentle.		Cloudy.
Philadelphia	30.21	40	W.	Gentle.		Clear.
Louisville, Ky.	30.05	36	W.	Very gentle		Cloudy.
Savannah	30.22	48	S.E.	Gentle.		Clear.
Toledo	30.08	30	N.W.	Gentle.		Cloudy.
Washington	30.22	38	..	Calm.		Clear.
Wilmington, N.C.	30.22	44	N.E.	Gentle.		Clear.
New-London, Ct.	30.24	28	N.W.	Brisk.		Clear.
Mt. Washington	24.71	7	N.W.	Very high.		Clear.

Barometer corrected for elevation and temperature.

THE ROGERS MURDER.

An Interview with the Self-Accused Murderer—He Declares his Innocence, and States that he Made the Confession in Order to Procure a Pardon from the Governor.

From the Auburn (N. Y.) Advertiser, Jan. 16.

Our reporter interviewed PINTOW, the convict, at Auburn Prison this morning, who is alleged to have disclosed himself as the murderer of Mr. ROGERS in New-York, on the 31st of December, 1863. Through the courtesy of Agent Rose he was allowed to question PINTOW, and his accuser, HARRIS, who were brought up separately, and examined in the Chaplain's office.

PINTOW now denies all complicity in the Rogers affair, and says he was in "the Tombs," in New-York, on a charge of burglary when the murder occurred. He says that his pretended "confession" to HARRIS was merely to secure for himself a pardon, supposing that he would be pardoned and taken out of prison in order to be put on trial for the murder; that being really innocent, he would then be exonerated and discharged—thus cheating the authorities and gaining his liberty. He claims that he really believed in the idea of a pardon being necessary, and when Mr. ROSS informed him to the contrary, on Sunday evening, that was his first knowledge of his mistake. He then took the supper and gave up the idea previously held, of starving himself in order to cheat the gallows, which, he said, was really to feel the effects.

The matter now seems to rest on the theory that the man finds he will not be pardoned, and that he has made a confession dangerous to himself as being really the murderer. His anxiety to deny the truth of his disclosures is thought to be with a view of screening himself from punishment after his present term of confinement shall have been served. He now claims that he was at the date of the murder serving out a sentence in the Tombs, New-York, for burglary, under the name of George WILSON, and can prove himself entirely innocent. He appeared nervous and guilty, his voice tremulous but eager, as if too anxious to avert suspicion and get to his former status as merely a convict with three years to serve, instead of having to serve his full term, and then be convicted of murder, alas.

HARRIS was first brought up in charge of his keeper, Mr. HOFFMAN. In answer to inquiries, he relates in substance the following:

"Some time in November, HARRIS, PINTOW, and two other convicts named DAVIS and CROWLAY, were locked in the solitary punishment cells for misconduct. They were able to converse, without being able to see each other, and in the course of conversation one of the party related the story of the Nathan murder in New-York. PINTOW then gave his account of the Rogers murder, relating that the two men were passing by Mr. ROGERS' house as he was sweeping the walk, a colored boy being engaged in the same operation some distance farther on, and ROGERS was 'hung up,' (slang term for garroted.)"

The talk then continued among the convicts, and in a few minutes after HARRIS remarked: "Pintow, I have a point on you." The latter inquired what the point was, when HARRIS replied, "About the little nigger."

At this, PINTOW knocked on the partition between his cell and that of HARRIS, making a signal to pull out the iron rod known as the "bunk-bolt" supporting the "prisoners' bunks." The bolt being drawn out, left a hole through from cell to cell, and PINTOW whispered through it to Harris, saying—"for Christ's sake, don't say any more." He then refused to talk. Afterward, HARRIS pretended to connive with PINTOW at an effort to escape by using the bunk-bolts for breaking out of prison, that action being a blind to draw the murderer out.

The nervousness evinced by PINTOW, in the shop, attracted the attention of Mr. HOFFMAN, his keeper, and while observing him soon after the above conversation, he heard him say to HARRIS, "I told him twenty times to let go of me, and then I struck him."

Mr. HOFFMAN then privately questioned HARRIS, and instructed him to draw PINTOW into a further relation of the Rogers murder. This was done, and PINTOW detailed the occurrence, as if at the hands of other parties, but when he came to be part of the affair relative to the immediate transaction he said, "Then I took my 'chib' (slang for knife,) and cut him across the abdomen." He also related that in falling ROGERS tore his (PINTOW's) coat-tail off, connecting a pocket in which the murdered man's pocket-book had been put by the robber; that the two then made off and escaped. PINTOW was soon after arrested and sent to Sing Sing for grand larceny; escaped and went to Philadelphia, where he met his confederate—supposed to be "Jim LOGAN." The latter betrayed him, and he was retaken.

HARRIS relates that he heard PINTOW grating his teeth and muttering, cursing "that —— of a —— in Boston." On asking who he meant, PINTOW said it was his partner who helped garrote Mr. ROGERS.

PINTOW claims that he pretended to starve himself for a few days merely to strengthen suspicion against himself. The truth of the confession hangs on the fact as to whether he was confined in New-York at the time of the murder, which will be developed in reply to the inquiry by telegraph to the officers of the Tombs.

HARRIS claims to be knowing to the operations of an extensive counterfeiting gang, and was anxious to obtain the aid of his keeper in disclosing the same, hoping thereby to relieve himself from his sentence. Mr. HOFFMAN had refused to have any connection with the project until HARRIS should succeed in drawing out PINTOW's complicity in the Roger's case.

SENATORS ELECT.

New-Jersey, Massachusetts, Maine, Illinois, and Minnesota.

Frelinghuysen, Wilson, Morrill, Logan, and Windom Chosen.

Blair's Election in Missouri Considered Certain.

A Majority Against Him in the Senate, and for Him in the House.

NEW-JERSEY.

Nomination of Mr. Frelinghuysen for Senator from New-Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 17.—In a caucus of the Republican members of the Legislature to-night, which lasted for two hours, Hon. F. T. FRELINGHUYSEN was nominated for United States Senator on the ninth ballot. There were four candidates—F. T. FRELINGHUYSEN, WALSH, CORTLANDT PARKER, DUDLEY S. GREGORY—and the vote for each on the several ballots varied as follows: FRELINGHUYSEN, from 21 to 34; WALSH, 11 to 16; PARKER, 2 to 12; GREGORY, 2 to 6.

SKETCH OF MR. F. T. FRELINGHUYSEN.

Hon. FREDERICK T. FRELINGHUYSEN is a member of a historical family, and his name, borne by his grandfather, his uncle, and himself, has been before the American public in connection with honorable positions since the birth of the Republic. Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN is about fifty years of age. Early in life he was adopted by his uncle, Hon. THEODORE FRELINGHUYSEN, whose knowledge of law and politics was freely imparted to his kinsman. Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN commenced the practice of law in Newark thirty-one years ago, and he has risen to the front rank in the profession. For many years he has been employed upon all the most important civil cases that have occupied the attention of the New-Jersey Courts, and he has also held a large practice in the United States Courts. In 1861 Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN was a member of the Peace Congress, where he ranked among the most accomplished debaters. He was Attorney-General of New-Jersey from 1863 to 1867. In the latter year he was appointed to succeed JOHN P. STOCKTON in the United States Senate, whose seat was declared vacant. Upon the expiration of the term, in 1869, Mr. STOCKTON was elected to the seat by the Democratic Legislature, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN receiving the vote of the Republican minority. In the Senate he stood with the Republicans against President JOHNSON, voted for impeachment, and made a speech on that last message in a speech that attracted wide attention. During the past two years he has been engaged in the practice of the law in Newark. In July last President GRANT nominated Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN to succeed Mr. MOULTON as Minister to England. The nomination was unanimously confirmed by the Senate without a dissenting voice, but the nominee, after a few weeks deliberation, declined the honor. Various reasons have been assigned for his declination. But it is safe to say that he declined because he was satisfied that the principal object of the Administration in sending him, by his acceptance with the demands of that portion of the Republican Party who are most belligerent in their tone toward Great Britain, and most bitter in their denunciations of public servants who do not meet their requirements. Personally, the nominee is a man of commanding presence and address. He is a ready speaker, a fine scholar, and a ready, off-hand debater. He is wealthy—a director of the New-Jersey Central Railroad Company, the Morris Canal Company, and of several banks and insurance companies. Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN's nomination by the Republicans of New-Jersey will give, undoubtedly, great satisfaction to his friends, and his past record proves that he will be an able representative.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Re-election of Senator Wilson in Massachusetts.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—Hon. HENRY WILSON was re-elected United States Senator this afternoon by the following vote: Senate—Wilson, 34; John Quincy Adams, 4; Wendell Phillips, 1. House—Wilson, 186; Adams, 32; Phillips, 10; Dawes, 3; John Welles Brown, 1. The Labor Reform Legislative Caucus, to-day, nominated WENDELL PHILLIPS as United States Senator by a vote of 7 to 5.

MAINE.

Re-election of Senator Morrill by the Maine Legislature.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 17.—Hon. LOT M. MORRILL was re-elected United States Senator to-day, receiving in the Senate 26 votes to 1 for ABRAM SANBORN. Two Democrats and one Republican were absent. In the House the vote was 99 for MORRILL, 27 for SANBORN and 8 for Gov. CHAMBERLAIN.

ILLINOIS.

Election of Gen. Logan Over John J. Turner.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 17.—This morning both Houses of the Legislature took order to vote for United States Senator. In the Senate, THOMAS J. TURNER, Democrat, cast eighteen votes, and JOHN A. LOGAN, Republican, thirty-two. In the House, seventy-one votes were cast for TURNER, ninety-nine for LOGAN, and two for SNIDER.

MINNESOTA.

Election of Hon. William Windom.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 17.—Hon. WM. WINDOM was elected today United States Senator from Minnesota, his term commencing on the 4th March next. The vote stood 13 to 4 in the Senate, and 30 to 14 in the House, two Republicans bolting.

MISSOURI.

A Definition of the Ex-Vice-Presidential Candidate's Views, Present and Past—A Test Resolution in the Missouri Legislature.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—On Friday last a resolution was introduced in the lower House of the Legislature by Major POPE, of St. Louis, indorsing the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Federal Constitution, and the reconstruction policy of the General Government, and favoring the payment of the State and National indebtedness according to the several contracts upon which the indebtedness is based. The resolution was debated during the morning hour on Friday and Saturday, and was continued yesterday. It is stated that the resolution was introduced to force Gen. BLAIR, if possible, to sustain his position taken in his famous letter to Col. BROADHEAD, in 1868, and upon which he was nominated in the National Democratic Convention, or to recede from it.

Yesterday, Gen. BLAIR, on motion to refer Major POPE's resolution to the Committee on Federal Relations, of which Mr. BLAIR is Chairman, spoke on the question, stating that he was in favor of the Thirteenth Amendment, and believed the South generally assented to it, but the Reconstruction acts he declared unconstitutional, and referred to the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of CUMMINGS against the State of Missouri; also to the case of MULLIGAN and BOWLES, who were tried by Military Commission in Indiana during the war. Referring to his letter to Col. BROADHEAD, he used the following language: "Had Sir, my letter, which has been referred to, contended that the military should be made to undo their usurpations at the South, I say so still, and you have only to withdraw them from the South and their work will be undone. (Applause.) That carrion crew of carpet-baggers, who are gorged upon the plunder and drunk with the blood of the vanquished people of the South, will disperse themselves in an instant, if not sustained by the bayonets of the Federal Government. There is no fear in that letter that I take back. I stand by it. I believe in the constitutional rights to the citizens of the United States by the Supreme Court that this reconstruction was unconstitutional. My hope is gone to Congress, if I should attain that high position, to see if I may and is withdrawn the troops from those Southern States which are held there to sustain upon the backs of the people a gorged and carpet-bagging and scalawag, followed by an ignorant mass of negroes; and to grant to the people of the South who have shown a disposition to abide in good faith by the arbitrements of arms and renew their allegiance to the Government, that they will be allowed to resume self-government themselves, as we have done in Missouri, and whites I may not expect to carry with me the gentlemen from St. Louis. I believe that we can carry and certainly count upon the co-operation of the large body of liberal men who assisted us in relieving ourselves from similar tyranny in the State of Missouri."

The speech concludes with a severe assault upon JOHN R. HENDERSON, a portion of whose course during the early part of the war is not very delicately handled. He forgives all the bad mismeeds of the gentleman, however, for the position he took in the impeachment trial of ANDREW JOHNSON.

Preliminary Vote for Senator—Blair Probably to be Chosen.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 17.—Both Houses of the Legislature voted separately for United States Senator this afternoon, with the following result: In the Senate—Blair, 19; Henderson, 11; absent, 3. In the House—Blair, 67; Henderson, 45. Total for Blair, 86; Henderson, 56. To-morrow a vote will be taken in joint session, when it is expected that BLAIR will receive three more votes.

EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAM-SHIP CITY OF PARIS.

The Inman steam-ship *City of Paris*, which left Liverpool on Jan. 5, and Queenstown on Jan. 6, reached this port yesterday. The news thus received is fresher by four days than that at hand by the *Algeria*.

AMERICANS IN PARIS.

Complete List of the Besieged Residents.

The editor of the *American Register*, a newspaper now printed in London, has received by balloon-mail a complete list of the Americans dwelling in Paris up to Dec. 31. The secretary of J. KENNEX, Esq., editor of the journal in question, places us in possession of a copy of this interesting document, and we append it hereunto:

UNITED STATES LEGATION.

Hon. E. B. Washburne, Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary.
Col. Wickham Hoffman, First Secretary.
Albert Lee Ward, Private Secretary.

UNITED STATES CONSULATE-GENERAL.

Gen. John Meredith Read, Jr., Consul-General.
Franklin Olcott, Vice Consul-General.
Charles Ahlem, Consul's Clerk and Secretary.
David T. S. Fuller, Consul's Clerk.

RESIDENTS.

Abraham, Jos.	Howland, Frank
Abranet, J. M.	Hunter, L.
Armand, H.	Hacker, Mr.
Bacon, G. P.	Huntington, W. H.
Bellamy, W., Jr.	Hyde, Mrs.
Benson, E.	Hyde, Miss
Berger, F.	Johnstone, Dr. W. S.
Bevan, Mrs. F.	Lamson, Rev. W. C.
Bayard, Dr. J.	Lamson, George
Boylesd, S. H.	Latore, A.
Bowles, Wm.	Latore, Mrs.
Bowles, Mrs. W. B.	Layard, Mr.
Brez, J. R. R.	Lobeck, J.
Brewer, W.	Lobeck, Mrs.
Brown, W. J.	Lebesson, Mr. and fam.
Carver, C. H. A.	Lemoine, Mrs.
Chalmers, Alex.	Lillie, Mr.
Chandler, Mrs.	Low, N.
Chandler, Miss	McFarland, George E.
Chesley, Mrs. G. W.	McFarland, Mrs.
Church, Miss E. C.	McKean, J. A.
Cole, J. H.	McCrea, J. R.
Conkling, Mrs.	Maurean, Mr.
Craig, W. S.	Maskler, F.
Crane, Edw. A., M.D.	May, E. H.
Curtis, Dr.	Mosier, Mrs. and 2 sons.
Deming, Mrs.	Moulton, C. F.
Deming, Miss.	Moulton, Mrs.
Demarest, Mrs.	Nash, Miss.
Dincre, E. E.	Norcom, Dr. C. W.
Dincre, Mrs.	Osgood, E. A.
Dinere, Miss.	Parmlee, H. F.
Dinner, N.	Peet, G.
Duremus, Miss.	Pixley, Miss
Dwyer, W. C.	Pritchard, A.
Durand, Mrs.	Rudolph, Mrs.
Faxon, Mrs., and three children.	Riggs, Jos.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 17.

MEMORIAL FROM THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE.

Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, presented a memorial of HORACE GREELEY, President of the American Institute of New-York, and 2,000 others, touching an industrial exposition in commemoration of the one hundredth birthday of the nation; setting forth among other facts that preceedings preparatory to the proposed exposition were commenced by the signers in 1867; Being of an industrial character, and relating to manufactures, he moved the reference of the memorial to the Committee on Manufactures. It was so referred.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bills were introduced and referred.

By Mr. ELLIOTT, of Louisiana—To relinquish the title of the United States to certain land occupied by the City of Baton Rouge, La.

By Mr. ABBOTT, of North Carolina—Making appropriation for the erection of a building for a Custom-House, Post-Office and United States Court-room in Wilmington, N. C.

By Mr. LYNDE, of Virginia—To grant lands in the Sheboygan Harbor Improvement Company.

By Mr. YATES, of Illinois—A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States: To make eligible to the office of President a person who shall have been fourteen years a resident of the United States. Read and referred.

By Mr. TWITCHELL, of Illinois—Transferring certain powers and duties to the Department of Justice; relative to jurisdiction over criminals in the District of Columbia; also, a joint resolution in reference to the insurance companies. The latter bill was read. This provides that no penalty shall be imposed on any life insurance company incorporated by any State, on account of any action of such company, which is authorized by the laws of the United States; nor shall any tax or other penalty of any State be imposed on any such company, which is not by the same authority imposed upon all life insurance companies.

SPRAGUE'S CONTRABAND TRAFFIC.

The Vice-President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of War, transmitting a mass of papers relative to the alleged traffic of Senator SPRAGUE with rebels in Texas during the war, being the papers referred to in the report of Judge Advocate-General HOLT upon the case, and upon which the charge was based. Referred to the Special Committee on its investigation.

STEAM-SHIP COMPANIES.

Mr. RAMSEY, of Minnesota, from the Committee on Post-offices and Post Roads, reported the American and European Steam-ship bill, with amendments.

This bill directs the Postmaster-General to contract with the American and European Steam-ship Company for the transportation of the United States mail in the United States and such ports in Europe as may be designated, for the term of fifteen years, at the following rates of service: Twice a month, $1,250,000 per annum; semi-weekly, $600,000; monthly, $400,000; and annual; semi-annually, $250,000 per annum.

Mr. CONKLING, of Oregon, called up the bill to incorporate the Japan Ocean Navigation Company, remarking that no subsidy was provided for.

Mr. THURMAN, of Ohio, objected, upon general reasons, to the incorporation by Congress of companies for business purposes.

Mr. RAMSEY, of Minnesota, offered a resolution to make bills for subsidizing steam-ship service the special order for Tuesday next. He said he had had references to three lines—the Australian, the European, and the one to the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. CHANDLER, of Michigan, objected, as he wanted time to examine the bills.

The resolution was accordingly laid over until the next session.

PUBLIC LANDS IN THE SOUTH.

Mr. KELLOGG, of Louisiana, called up the joint resolution for the disposal of public lands in the States of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas.

Mr. HARLAN, of Iowa, was averse to the bill, as injurious to the interests of the poor people of those States, many of whom were colored.

Mr. KELLOGG said the only purpose of the bill was to place the public lands in the States named upon an equal footing with the public lands in other States of the Union. Thousands of acres in Mississippi, Louisiana and Florida that might be entered by people from the Northern and Middle States, as also by the residents there, could not now and never could be entered except under the Homestead law, the restriction of the choice of land to actual residents had failed to secure the actual taking up of the lands. He only asked that they be subject to location under the Homestead law or by preemption. He regarded as very strange the attempt of the Senator (HARLAN) to deny to the Southern States the privileges enjoyed by the State of Iowa.

Mr. HARLAN, to show that the privileges referred to had not practically benefited his State, said that in Iowa thousands of acres had been taken up by non-residents, and in some sections any one might travel for miles without meeting a settlement. The four millions of free men in the States enfranchised by the bill would now, under the existing law, become land-owners, though, by their recent emancipation, they were still looking to avail themselves of that law. He was opposed to depriving them of this benefit, in order to permit wealthy non-residents to acquire the lands.

The bill was then laid over for amendment.

SUTRO TUNNEL.

Mr. NYE, of Nevada, gave notice of his intention to address the Senate on Friday on the bill relating to the Sutro Tunnel project.

THE NEW FIVE PER CENT. BONDS.

The Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to the bill authorizing the issue of an additional three hundred millions of five per cent. bonds.

THE OHIO SOLDIERS' ASYLUM.

The morning hour expiring, the Senate resumed the consideration of Mr. SHERMAN's bill ceding to the State of Ohio jurisdiction over the grounds occupied by the Dayton Soldiers' Asylum. A discussion followed on the legal technicalities involved in the proposed cession of jurisdiction, the opponents of the bill claiming that it implied a divided jurisdiction between the State of Ohio and the General Government, and that Congress had not right to cede away public property, the exclusive jurisdiction over which was vested in the General Government by the Constitution. The legal effect of ceding to a State exclusive jurisdiction over a military establishment owned by the United States was further discussed by Messrs. Carpenter of Michigan, Thurman of Ohio, Williams of Oregon, Conkling of New-York, and Davis of Kentucky, against the bill, and by Messrs. Howe of Wisconsin, Sherman of Ohio, and Morton of Indiana, in its favor.

The bill, finally, was passed on a division by a vote of 25 to 12.

SITUATIONS FOR ORPHANS.

Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, offered a resolution that the places of page, folder, and messenger, should all be filled by the minor sons of destitute widows, in compliance with the duties. Mr. DAVIS asked present consideration of the resolution, and stated that the Committee on Contingent Expenses were daily importuned by poor women, destitute of means for supporting their children, for situations for their sons.

Mr. COLE, of California, objected, when Mr. DAVIS gave notice that he would call up the resolution to-morrow.

THE KUKLUX IN NORTH CAROLINA.

A communication was received from the President of the United States, transmitting additional copies of papers relating to the existence of disloyal organizations in the State of North Carolina. Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

The papers consist of reports of army officers commanding United States troops in that State, and letters from Gov. HOLDEN covering long statements and affidavits in relation to the Kuklux organization, and various disturbances in North Carolina, accounts of which have already been made public.

A FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

A report was also received from the Secretary of the Treasury, covering a statement of receipts and expenditures of the Government for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1867 and 1868. It was tabled.

MONEY DUE FROM THE STATES.

On motion of Mr. MORTON, of Indiana, the Senate took up the bill to refund to the States the interest and discount borrowed of them to equip, pay, supply and transport troops for the service of the United States in the recent war.

The Vice-President stated the question to be upon the substitute proposed by Mr. MORTON, providing that the United States shall pay interest on the principal borrowed by the different States to equip, furnish or transport troops for the United States up to the time the principal has been or shall be paid back to the State, the Government also to pay the discount on the State bonds sold to borrow such money to an extent not exceeding ten per cent.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, was opposed to paying anything more than the interest.

Mr. FENTON, of New-York, referred to the rapid augmentation of the State debt of New-York, in extending aid to the General Government to upward of $7,000,000, upon which the State had paid semi-annual interest. He inquired whether, under the bill, that interest would be refunded by the General Government.

Mr. MORTON replied that the bill did not cover that or any case in which a State had expended large amounts for extra bounties. The expenses legitimately included were those for establishing camps, recruiting, &c., in the States.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, to meet objections suggested by Messrs. SCOTT of Pennsylvania, and FENTON of New-York, proposed an amendment, which was accepted by Mr. MORTON, confining the payment of interest to such principal as has been or may be audited and allowed by the Treasury Department.

The bill was variously amended in unimportant particulars.

Mr. RAMSEY, of Minnesota, offered an amendment to require the payment of interest on all war scrip issued by the States.

After remarks against the bill by Mr. BUCKINGHAM of Connecticut, and CONKLING of New-York, the Senate, without disposing of the measure, after an Executive Session, at 4½ P. M., adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, introduced a bill in reference to the distribution of moneys due to the Mississippi Squadron as military salvage. Referred.

BILLS PASSED.

Mr. CONGER, of Michigan, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill exempting canal boats from the payment of Marine Hospital dues. Passed.

The House then resumed the consideration of the bill, which was under discussion last week, to secure the proper treatment of cattle in transit by railroads. The bill was passed, yeas 124, nays 37.

Mr. BROOMALL, of Massachusetts, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a joint resolution classifying foreign merchandise arriving at any United States port, on the 31st of December, 1870, to the benefit of the twenty-sixth section of the act of the 14th of July, 1870, to reduce internal taxation. He explained that goods arriving after Custom-house hours on the 31st of December would thus be placed on the same footing as goods that were in bonded warehouses on that day, and would be taxable at reduced rates of duty. The joint resolution was passed.

AID TO RAILROADS.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, offered a resolution authorizing the President to appoint three Commissioners to examine and report as to the distribution of the aid granted by the Government to the Union Pacific, Central Pacific, Kansas Pacific, and other railroad companies, what benefits have derived, pecuniary or otherwise, to what extent, and in what manner, &c., with power to send for persons and papers. Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

THE COLORED CADETS.

Mr. PORTER, of Virginia, asked leave to have read a letter from Prof. DAVID CLARK, of Hartford, Conn., testifying to the ability, truthfulness, and general integrity of cadet SMITH, the colored West Point cadet.

Mr. COX, of New-York, objected.

APPROPRIATION BILLS—INCREASE OF SALARIES.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Wisconsin, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the regular Naval Appropriation bill, which was made the special order for Tuesday next. The bill appropriates $19,822,111.

At 1½ o'clock the House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. SCOFIELD, of Pennsylvania, in the chair, and resumed the consideration of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill.

Mr. ARMSTRONG, of Pennsylvania, moved to increase the salaries of the nine Circuit Judges from $8,000 to $8,500. He argued in support of the amendment.

Mr. ARCHER, of Maryland, opposed the amendment, and spoke of the pride with which he had when passed the humble, unpretentious dwelling of Chief-Justice TANEY, who then so long and honorably presided over the Supreme Court. He preferred that republican simplicity to modern extravagance.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, also opposed the amendment, and argued that instead of equalizing salaries upward they should be equalized downward.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, remarked that Mr. ARCHER's allusion to Chief-Justice TANEY was an unfortunate one, as that learned Judge, the type of a good, economical, temperate, and scientific life, died so poor after many years' service as Chief-Justice, that his daughters—latterly have since had to support themselves as copyists.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, opposed the amendment. He hoped the House would establish a stopping-place further in the way of raising salaries, and there was no better place to stop than at this point. There was not the slightest difficulty in obtaining the best talent for these judgeships; on the contrary, the earnest desire to them was blackened with applicants.

Mr. POMEROY, of New-York, supported the amendment. He had no fear of the result of increasing those that were in the line of justice and true economy. A good deal had been said about what the people would endure, but he did not believe that for a single district there was one man so ignorant or so mean as to find fault with Congress for giving a fair day's wages for a fair day's work. He did not believe in the economy practiced in Illinois, where they used to pay $1,500 salary to the Governor, and $2,000 to the Governor's gardener. The miserable business of paying the smallest salaries that men can be got to serve for was not economy.

Mr. PERSHING, of New-Hampshire, moved to reduce the salaries to $4,500. He thought that the business of paying unreasonable high salaries to some officers, and then raising the salaries of other officers up to that point was about played out.

Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, protested against the monstrous idea of any salaries. He insisted on a matter of justice, that salaries should not be increased.

Mr. ARCHER, of Maryland, remarked, in reference to the daughters of Chief-Justice TANEY sharing their living as copyists in the departments, that they had been turned out of office by the present Administration.

Mr. BLAIR, of Michigan, opposed the increase of judicial salaries. He said that the Judges of his State, who were hard-working, laborious men, having the confidence of the people, got only $3,500 a year.

Mr. ARMSTRONG, of Pennsylvania, argued in favor of the proposed increase, and referred to the fact that the Marshals of the United States Courts received better compensation than the Judges.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, opposed the increase of judicial salaries, and intimated that some members in favor of the increase were probably expecting to succeed to some of these Judgeships. The Judges in his State received only $3,500 a year, and had to pay their own traveling expenses. He knew a great many lawyers there who had nothing to do, and who were on the verge of starvation, and who would yet make very good Judges. In view of the multiplicity of lawyers and the immense numbers in which they are being turned out in the various schools and colleges, he protested against making an aristocratic class of lawyers.

The proposition was further opposed by Messrs. DAWES of Massachusetts, BENJAMIN of Missouri, and TAYLOR, of Pennsylvania.

The amendment to make the salaries of Circuit Judges $8,500, and the amendment to make them $8,000, were both rejected, and the salaries continued at $6,000.

Mr. ARMSTRONG, of Pennsylvania, moved to fix the salaries of the United States District Judges at $5,000, $6,000 $7,000 and $8,000, classifying them by States and districts. The amendment was rejected.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, of Illinois, moved to reduce the salary of the Solicitor of Internal Revenue from $5,000 to $4,500, and added that as the chief officer received more than his superior, the Solicitor of the Treasury.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, replied that the salary was fixed by the law, but that he knew of no good reason for the law. The amendment was rejected.

Mr. DAWES moved an amendment directing payment to JOHN W. DOUGLASS, Assistant Commissioner of Internal Revenue, of the difference between his salary and that of the Commissioner, for November and December, 1870, while he acted as Commissioner. Agreed to.

Mr. BLAIR, of New-Hampshire, offered a similar amendment, applying to SAMUEL A. DUNCAN, while he performed the duty of Commissioner of Patents.

Mr. NIBLACK, of Indiana, suggested a general provision on that subject.

Mr. WOOD, of New-York, suggested an allowance to Gen. DENT, in the absence of the President. He did not believe in paying any subordinates for running the White House while the President was on his philandering expeditions through the country. It was not right; it was not standing on the ancient ways of the Government. The old Presidents had never deserted their posts, but stayed in Washington during the Summer heats and Winter colds.

Mr. HOAR, of Massachusetts, remarked that the second President of the United States had been absent from Washington seven months.

Mr. COX knew that, but then it was during the sickness of his family. None of the Presidents had gone philandering around the country to Long Branch, to horse-races, smoking all the contraband cigars that they could get.

Mr. MAYNARD, of Tennessee, recited the example of Gen. JACKSON, the greatest of all the Presidents, who used to travel home to Tennessee in his private carriage, taking weeks for the trip.

Mr. COX was sorry that the gentleman present had not a better example. [Laughter.] The good old Democratic Presidents did, once in a while, go home to see their families in a quiet way, but never made public exhibitions of themselves at all the horse-races, hotels, all the halls, all the watering-places, to the neglect of the public business, and setting a bad example to all subordinates who were now applying for extra pay.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts—Now we have heard it all, and I hope we will have a vote.

Mr. COX, continuing—I do not believe that we ought to hurry on this subject. It is all wrong. How would we find out whom to pay in the absence of the President? Who runs the Executive Department when the President is away? Must we give the extra pay to Gen. DENT or any of that family? We all know they are well provided for already. [Laughter.] Must we give it to Gen. SHERIDAN, or any of the other military people, who not only take care of the Executive, but come here to instruct us in Congressional duties? If so, how much shall we give them for their executive and how much for their legislative labors?

Mr. BENTON, of New-Hampshire—I rise to a point of order. The gentleman has talked not only longer than five minutes, but he is out of order besides. [Laughter.]

The CHAIRMAN sustained the point of order.

Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, offered a like amendment, in favor of JAMES A. MONGAN, late Chief Clerk to the Commissioner of Patents.

Messrs. ELA's and HOLMAN's amendments were rejected.

This ended the bill in Committee.

The Committee then took up and acted on the Military Academy Appropriation bill, and having completed it, rose and reported both bills back to the house.

The Military Academy bill was passed.

The House then proceeded to vote on the amendments to the Legislative Appropriation bill.

The amendment repealing the law authorizing the publication in the newspapers of the Statutes of Congress was rejected—yeas, 60; nays, 90.

The amendment to pay Mr. DOUGLASS the salary of Commissioner of Internal Revenue was voted on by tellers. The vote stood 73 to 70. The yeas and nays were then ordered, but without taking the vote, the House at 4:30 o'clock adjourned.

NOTES FROM THE PEOPLE.

The Water Question.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your correspondent "C. J. E.," in the TIMES of the 13th inst., gives some useful facts and figures on the subject of rain-water, and preaches a very good sermon, but smite the "application" of the discourse to his City hearers, "which I now rise to explain."

The waste of rain-water is as great in town as in country. Every Summer, and now this Winter, the newspapers are full of forewarnings of a water famine, hints of shallow measurings of the contents of reservoirs, and cautions to housekeepers to "use sparingly" and waste not. My experience goes to confirm that of C. J. E., and I am satisfied that enough rain-water runs into the sewers from the roofs of New-York to supply all ordinary demands for household uses. Hardly any houses in New-York are furnished with cisterns, and, therefore, this most bountiful supply is foolishly wasted.

My experience covers a long residence in the suburbs of St. Louis, and since the war, in Flushing, L. I. The well water in St. Louis and vicinity is so impregnated with lime as to be useless for drinking or laundry purposes. Of course cisterns there are the rule. These are constructed, as described by your correspondent at the Palisades, of brick, the cylinder, however, being divided in the centre by a wall, at the bottom of which is placed a box of filtering material—sand, charcoal and sponge. The water runs from the roof into one-half of the cistern, and passing through the filter is pumped from the other side, purer than any well water can be, and cool enough to be used for drinking in the hottest weather. I see nothing to prevent every house in New-York from having one of these filtering cisterns, and thus becoming entirely independent as to the depth of water in the reservoirs, the dryness of the season, or "accidents," such as of late have tried or dried the souls of Jersey citizens. Then, if the Water Board, should, for any reason, pecuniary or other wise, threaten to or actually "shut of the water," the householder could complacently let them shut, and fall back on his own resources, now so wickedly thrown away.

My house in Flushing is twenty-four by thirty-two feet square, and, of course, has less surface of roof than first-class houses in the City. Yet the rain from that roof supplied a large family with all the water required in 1869 and the very dry Summer of 1870, while our friends who have depended upon wells have had to haul water in barrels for a mile or more.

I will parodify state, however, that we have none of those questionable "improvements" known as water-closets, which consume more water than all other city housekeeping. Costly in their construction and demanding an enormous amount of outlay for water, they pollute the air of the house whenever there is any obstruction in the outlets, or any temporary stoppage of the Croton.

It is time every City and country house was supplied with a filtering cistern, large enough for entire independence on the water question. The second Croton, or Croton-and-cistern, designing rascality, may suddenly cut off the Croton water from the entire City. Who can imagine a more appalling catastrophe, or realize the manifold disasters that would accrue? L.

The Duty on Coal.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The Committee of Ways and Means is about to bring in a bill to amend the tariff. A majority of that Committee are in favor of free coal, and why not talk a provision in it to make coal free?

The House Free Coal bill is far down on the calendar of the Committee of the Whole, and therefore may not be reached in the remainder of the present session; but if a provision were placed in the bill, soon to be reported, making coal free, relief to commerce, manufactures, and the helpless poor might receive the sanction of Congress before the adjournment.

I do not go into any argument upon this subject, supposing that the mention of the fact that, under the present exorbitant duty, the mines of Pennsylvania hold a monopoly of the supply of fuel, and that the business of the country, and the helpless poor are made the victims of the owners, the workers, and the carriers of this great necessarily, universal, and so the extent they desire to make them cash.

Will not the TIMES follow up its hitherto just and patriotic course upon this subject, by giving its voice for free coal? O. S. M. PECK.

NEW YORK, Monday, Jan. 16, 1871.

Who Is "Frank Blair?"

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Will you be so good as to inform one, who is not so well posted up in political history as many, whether the above individual, now held up for Senator from Missouri, is the same FRANK P. BLAIR (there are two BLAIRS from this State) who was the Democratic candidate for Vice-President at the last Presidential election on the ticket with HORATIO SEYMOUR? Can it be he who wrote a certain letter to a Col. BROADHEAD, proposing a very ingenious method of nullifying all the Reconstruction acts of Congress, with the co-operation of a Democratic President, to "compel" the Senate to undo all that it has done, and to "trample into dust these usurpations of Congress?" Can this be the man who now asks for admission into that body which he seeks to destroy? If so, is he fit to be their peer? Is he not a fit exponent of "centralization," and here it is with a vengeance. Shall we have another rebellion? With your accustomed courtesy I think you will not refuse to enlighten. A NOVICE.

Let us Have More Statues.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

When the idea of raising a statue in honor of WM. M. TWEED was first mooted, I, in common with many of my fellow-citizens, supposed it was intended as a joke, but the appointment of a Commission to carry out the suggestion makes it apparent that the projectors are really in earnest. It is probably the first time (I may be mistaken, but instances are very rare,) that a statue has been raised to a man while living, since the days of NERO or CALIGULA, those model statesmen and rulers of ancient Rome, and if history repeats itself, as it does sometimes, the Tweed statue will meet the fate of those of Rome, by being pulled down and destroyed by the same men who "threw up their greasy caps" and shouted when they were first erected. Men are but men, while living, and subject to all the infirmities that afflict mankind. Hence it has been the custom to wait until heroes and statesmen "shuffle off their mortal coil," and thus have made up their history beyond recall, before their statues have been erected either in marble, bronze or brass.

TWEED has achieved a quasi greatness in, to say the least, a questionable manner, and has ruled his party in this City for a time, but so did FRANK BOOLS, and his fate was not an enviable one. Suppose that in the summit of BOOLS's power his admirers—that is, persons who lived upon the public Treasury through him—had erected a statue to him, it would to-day be pointed out to the rising generation as that of one who is only remembered now for having become "one whose ambition o'erleaped itself" and fell on the other side, and little boys would probably jeer at it and bespatter it with mud, and knock off its nose as they did that of the roundescript lately in the Park. Such will doubtless be the fate of the Tweed statue, when he shall have gone to his great account, and has no more pay-rolls to put his admirers on.

Now, mark the consequence of this statue movement. If I have read the TIMES aright, I observe that it is proposed to erect a statue in Tompkins-square to that matured statesman of twenty-eight years, TOM CREAMER. And why not? Why shall they not all be perpetuated in marble, bronze or brass? And to that end I suggest that the Legislature authorize the Board of Public Works to tax the people direct for statues to all the Tammany leaders, instead of robbing the Treasury for that purpose.

Let us have HANK SMITH'S statue at, say, Bowling-green, then MIKE NORTON'S, alias Crow, (his fighting name,) in Washington-square, Controller CONNOLLY in the City Park, and FRANK SEYMOUR'S, of course, in the grand centre of the Central Park. There should also be statues of JOHN J. ASTOR, MOSES TAYLOR and the whitewashing committee who examined all the accounts of the City in six hours and certified to the honesty of the Ring. Let their all of brass, or cotton, with their backs to the sun, that they may paint them out to their children as they run of the brass, or honesty the characteristics of the Ring of past years.

I had almost forgotten that great warrior, FISK, Jr., whose statute might be made of "gum," to which he is evidently partial; also of the great BARNARD, who I would suggest could be perpetuated in a column composed of old writs and injunctions granted to the Erie Ring. Place this latter one on top of the new Court-house as a lesson for all poor, rising young lawyers that all they have to do to get rich is to become one of the "slaves of the Ring."

Yours, A READER.

PERSONAL, POLITICAL AND GENERAL.

The Little Rock *Republican* urges the removal of political disabilities in Arkansas.

California's wool production last year, was 21,071,660 pounds—a large increase over 1869.

Nillson ice-cream candy is one of Chicago's luxuries. The advertisements say it drives dull care away.

Hon. EMERSON ETHERIDGE is about to remove to Memphis, Tenn., intending to make that city his home.

FRANK P. BLAIR, Jr., Missouri's Democratic candidate for the United States Senate, cannot vote in his own State.

It is reported that the will of the late A. K. P. WELCH will be contested by the trustees of Harvard College.

P. T. BARNUM has sent an order to San Francisco for "two large sea-lions—" something that can howl, and will prove an attraction."

Prof. DYER H. SANBORN, of New-Hampshire, widely and favorably known as a teacher, died on Saturday of congestion of the lungs.

A Baltimore physician's family of eight persons was poisoned on Saturday; it is thought maliciously by a servant. No deaths resulted.

If her "poem" tells the truth, a Buffalo woman has buried her love "on the stormy strand of the deep, dark ocean of mad despair."

Hon. GEORGE G. FOGG, recently our Minister to Switzerland, fell down a flight of stairs at his home in Concord, N. H., on Friday evening last, and was badly injured.

The Democratic Convention to nominate a candidate for Congress in the Third District of Connecticut, which it was intended to hold in Norwich on the 24th inst., has been postponed.

Ex-Gov. CARNEY withdrew from the contest for United States Senator in Kansas, because, as he said, other good men are candidates, and he does not wish to complicate matters.

Eight of the twenty-two members of the Minnesota State Senate, and fifteen of the forty-eight members of its House, were born in this State. Not one of either House is a native of Minnesota.

Gov. POWELL CLAYTON, of Arkansas, received for United States Senator the votes of twenty-three of the twenty-five members of the State Senate, and of seventy-one of the seventy-eight members of the House.

HENRY J. NILES, a prominent lawyer and influential Democratic politician, of Urbana, Ohio, has become hopelessly insane through the failure of a man whose legal adviser he was in speculations in this City.

Major JOHN H. STEELE, of the Atlanta *Intelligencer*, died on the 11th inst. He was the oldest editor in Georgia, and expressions of great regret at his death are found in papers of all political views in the State.

A bill is to be introduced in the Michigan Legislature to create a State Insurance Department, which shall be charged with the execution of all laws relating to insurance. The Secretary of State now attends to such matters.

Hot-headed politicians in the South, of one party or the other, are insisting that Gov. SCOTT of South Carolina, Gov. DAVIS of Texas, and Gov. BULLOCK of Georgia, should be impeached. Wiser counsels will doubtless prevail.

Gov. HAYES, of Ohio, has informed the Legislature that he has not ordered an election of Congressman to fill out the brief unexpired term of Gen. SCHENCK because he has thought it would be a useless expenditure of time, money and labor.

The Legislature of Ohio is again being petitioned to accept the plot of ground at North Bend, Ohio, which contains the neglected grave of WM. HENRY HARRISON, and to improve it in a manner worthy of his memory and of the State.

Two newspapers in Halifax, the *Chronicle* and the *Recorder*, favor the American side of the fishery question, and fail to see the justice of the protection given to the Canadian fishermen by the Imperial and Dominion Governments.

The Savannah *Republican* says that careful investigation has shown that Mr. GEORGE W. BARTLETT, of this City, was not murdered, as was suspected when the fact of his sudden death there was first made known.

BRET HARTE has reconsidered his determination to remain in California, and has decided to accept an offer to come East. The San Francisco *Alta* says he will leave that city with his family about the 1st of next month, much to the regret of a large circle of friends and admirers.

A story, which has for its hero a venerable parrot, comes from North Carolina. As the story runs, the bird is over eighty years old, and the other day recognized, after many years separation, one of its former owners when he entered the saloon in which it is now kept, and cried out, "Lucy! Lucy!"

Gen. SCHENCK declined the banquet tendered him in Cincinnati, saying that he is so busy with preparations for leaving for England that he cannot even visit his home in Dayton, Ohio, and that he has considered it best not to accept any public demonstrations before his departure.

Senator-elect FERRY, of Michigan, has declined the honor of a public dinner, tendered him by his townsmen of Grand Haven, saying that the recent heavy bereavement he has experienced causes him to prefer that there should not now be any public demonstration of their good-will and kindness.

STEPHEN COLWELL, of Philadelphia, well known by his works on political economy, died on Sunday evening, aged seventy years. He bequeathed his library, which is very valuable from its collection of works on finance, political economy, commerce, and business, to the University of Pennsylvania.

The proposed change in the time of holding the Kentucky Democratic State Convention is protested against by the Louisville *Courier-Journal*, which says the project is intended obviously to advance the pretensions of one man, and that if the change is made the party will not escape its evil consequences for years and years to come.

There is a negro debating society in Bainbridge, Ga., the last meeting of which was devoted to a discussion of the question whether education or money is the most beneficial to a community. The advocates of the education side of the question won the prize—$20 in gold. At the next meeting they will decide whether it is to the interest of the laborer to work for wages or a part of the crop.

Some young men in Bangor, Me., who had heard marvelous stories of the number of pickerel caught thereabout through the ice, and started out the other day to do a little fishing themselves, told an inquisitive country cousin, whom they met on the way, that they had not included an ax in their otherwise complete outfit because there "were lots of people fishing there last Winter, and they could fish through last year's holes."

The colored men of Georgia are to hold a State Convention in Atlanta, Feb. 1, 2 and 3. The call urges the negroes to send the most intelligent men in their counties as delegates, and to furnish them with all the documentary information possible relative to the late election, school organizations, labor movements, administration of justice, emigration feeling, acquisition of property, and the general condition of the colored people.

Judge BYRON PAINE, of the Supreme Court, of Wisconsin, who died yesterday, was but forty-two years old. He first became known in connection with the Booth fugitive slave case. He has occupied a seat on the Supreme Bench of Wisconsin for ten years, that being elected in 1859, but left it to fight for the Union in the Forty-third Regiment. He was a man of great ability, learning and independence of thought, and an earnest patriot.

Mr. EDWARD C. DELAVAN, best known for his protracted and zealous connection with the temperance movement, died in Schenectady on Sunday evening, aged seventy-eight years. He was a native of Westchester County, and for many years resided in Albany. The Albany *Journal* says that he had letters from every crowned head of Europe upon the subject of temperance, and the publication of his correspondence with the eminent men who have occupied prominent positions in the literary, political and scientific world during the past thirty-five years, would constitute a volume of great interest and value.

The sufferers by the recent flood at Harper's Ferry held a meeting last week, and for the second time called for information relative to the disposal by the Committee of Relief of the funds contributed for their aid. The call is made in a series of strong resolutions, which mention the names of the Committee, and declare that if the ridiculous bills of these unfaithful public servants are impervious to public scorn and to disgustion, and the contempt of their fellow-citizens cannot move them, a competent attorney-at-law shall be employed to institute a suit in equity to compel an account required of them, as self-constituted trustees of a self-imposed trust.

THE TAYLOR WILL.

The Scientific Examination Continued—What it Costs to Analyze Handwriting—Testimony at a Hearing Expert Important Ruling of the Surrogate—The Day's Work.

The main feature of the Taylor will case, continued before Surrogate HUTCHINGS, yesterday, was the scientific evidence adduced on the part of the contestant, for the purpose of establishing the theory, as alleged, of forgery. The cross-examination of the witness FAIRM, examined on Monday, was but brief, and upon his conclusion Mr. ALBERT T. SOUTHWORTH, of Boston, another expert, was placed upon the stand. His testimony proved of a very interesting character, being given without hesitancy, and with an apparent knowledge of the matters in regard to which he spoke. The witness had evidently made the subject of handwriting a study from a scientific point of view, and his detailed statements, as to the method employed, indicating irregularities in signatures, were calculated to impress this fact upon the hearer. With Mr. FAIRM, Mr. SOUTHWORTH was also associated in the Howland will case, he being the principal witness on the trial and in conducting the scientific investigation preparatory. During the examination yesterday, Judge SUTHERLAND, counsel for the contestant, in regard to the introduction of photographic copies of papers in the case, holding that they should be excluded, as at best they could be but secondary evidence. A detailed report of all the proceedings will be found below.

GEORGE H. FAIRM, direct examination continued—To Mr. CLINTON—I have written his name twice exactly alike, but the signatures in every instance possess the same character-istics.

Cross-examination—To Mr. STOUGHTON—I have been a book-keeper for many years; I was first hired in the case by Mr. CLINTON in October last, when he came to me and stated what the case was about; he brought me the papers, and requested me to examine them, but did not say what for; since October I have devoted much time to a study of the papers, spending half my evenings in this way; I have found it a difficult task; I have made a written memorandum covering twenty-five or thirty pages, containing my views on the questions involved on the subject of the handwriting; I handed this memorandum to Mr. CLINTON yesterday; I made it as an exhibit in the case and not for the purpose of this examination; I charge for my services in this case, but have no idea what it is worth; I should think about $25 per evening; I might not charge this sum upon a final settlement.

ALBERT S. SOUTHWORTH, called for contestant, testified: I reside in Boston; my business is the examination of disputed handwriting and kindred subjects; I have been engaged in the examination of disputed handwriting and other cases of importance where the subject of handwriting was in dispute, and have been engaged in this business three-quarters of my time for the last twelve years; I examine handwriting by analyzing the characteristics; when writing is presented to me I first examine the material as to paper, noting the manufacturer's marks, coloring matter, transparency and other qualities, and whether it has been scraped in any part or not; I then observe the kind of ink used, the pen, and the general appearance of the handwriting; having satisfied myself as to the general facts, I examine the letters in detail, magnifying them with a glass and examining them in sections; I judge of writing not by mechanical effect, but by general combinations; the hand is a machine when not under control; if I have to compare a signature with the mind of other subjects, will retain the natural characteristics, and although one may attempt to disguise the handwriting, the hand, when pass set in motion, and even for an instant uncontrolled by the will, still retains some of the natural peculiarities by which it can be distinguished.

The will, together with the five exhibits examined by the previous witness, were here presented, and the witness entered upon a minute and elaborate description of the writing, pointing out, as did Mr. FAIRM, the irregularities and the difference existing, he contending, between the real and the alleged forged signature of Mr. TAYLOR, and also attempting to prove that the body of the instrument and the signature thereto were written by the same hand. To prove the latter point witness selected certain letters of the signature, and placing the same under a glass, covered similar letters in the body of the will with those so selected. In this way it was shown that in every part they were identical in form. The evidence on all these points was interesting, but mainly made up of explanations as to technical peculiarities, in regard to which witness itself, the witness said it was researched, slowly made, and simulated, but in its general features resembled the writing of the body of the will. The five signatures were also carefully analyzed. In reference to the bible and the will, alluded to by Mr. WITHERSELL, one of the subscribing witnesses, thereto, said, about which he stated the deceased found fault with him, the expert, continuing his testimony, said:

The blot on the will was made before the words E. WITHERSELL and JAMES JACKSON were written, as portions of these signatures are written over the blot. After it was dry, I first began the study of photography in 1840, and in 1843—1844 was with Prof. MOSES in Nassau-street; I followed photographing until 1862, when my time became too much taken up with my professional duties, relating to handwriting; I am in the habit of making the copies of objects, and of handwriting particularly.

Mr. CLINTON next offered in evidence photographic copies of the signature to the will. Objected to.

Counsel stated that he desired at least to put in one copy as a part of the cross-examination of witnesses previously examined. Objection was made to the introduction of any photographs of handwriting of any description, such evidence being inadmissible in Courts of law. The Surrogate sustained the objection, and in making the ruling, said:

The original signature to the alleged will has been presented to the witness, and he has examined it and compared it with the exhibits properly in evidence. That is the best evidence to be had, and he can speak from that. I shall exclude all testimony drawn from photographs, as being inadmissible upon the question of handwriting. Such evidence would raise many collateral issues, as, for instance, the correctness of the lens, the state of the weather, the skill of the operator, the color of the impression, the purity of the chemicals, and other issues which, I think, clearly require me to exclude such photographic evidence upon this question of genuineness of signature. It is at best secondary evidence.

The Surrogate further excluded the twenty-one exhibits, checks and notes signed by Mr. TAYLOR, heretofore referred to, on the ground that, papers unless in the case for other purposes, and introduced for the purpose of instituting a comparison of hands, could not be admitted.

Cross-examination of Mr. SOUTHWORTH—To Mr. STOUGHTON—I was trained up as a boy on my father's farm in Vermont; I have never been employed in a bank as an officer; I began investigating disputed writing in 1856, and have since been employed in many cases; Mr. CLINTON wrote me during the latter part of October or 1st of November about this case, and upon receiving the letter I came on to New-York; was employed in this matter eight or ten days; the price for services in case of this kind varies; I, of course, only be employed on one side; I don't know what I shall charge for my labor; have no opinion and have not fixed the sum in my own mind; I generally charge after my work is finished; the compensation depends upon circumstances; I never testified in a case that I remember against the man who employed me; I am obliged to analyze my cases, so as to support the side upon which I am engaged.

Witness was here requested to look at the indorsement, "JAMES B. TAYLOR," on the outside of the will, and to give his opinion upon it, analyzing the letters, &c., and considerable time was lost before the desired information was obtained. The witness claimed that he had not noticed this writing particularly, and desired time to study it before expressing an opinion, alleging that by an immediate answer he might commit himself. A number of questions were in the meantime asked, but the witness was finally given time by the Court to study the indorsement, which he afterward analyzed, letter by letter. In these letters, he said, there were resemblances both to the hand writing of the body of the will and to the signature attached to the instrument. After some additional questions as to some other words in the will, the examination was closed.

The trial was adjourned until 11 o'clock today, when the contestant, in accordance with a previous understanding, is to rest her case.

HAWTHORNE.

James T. Fields' Recollections—The Production of the Scarlet Letter and the Blows he Struck—Scenes of Hawthorne's Earlier and Greatest Struggles.

In the second number of "Our Whispering Gallery

KINGS COUNTY SUPERVISORS.

Another Proposition for the Reduction of the Taxes—The Fakbers Alarmed.

The Kings County Board of Supervisors held a meeting yesterday afternoon, Supervisor Conkling in the chair. Bills presented by Sheriff Walsh, amounting to $10,000, were ordered to be paid. The Coroner's bill for December, amounting to $1,318, was also approved.

Supervisor JOHNSON, of the Third Ward, presented the following preamble and resolutions, looking to the reduction of the general taxation:

Whereas, The interest excitedin the minds of the taxpayers of this county by the recent expenses of the manner in which contracts have been made during the past year through the Jail Committee of this Board, has been intense, and it is to be feared that a general impression has been made that the expenses is but a figure-point indicating the loss sustained upon which the business of the Board has been conducted throughout all its branches; and

Whereas, No partisan object is to be accomplished by considering whether as a Board of Supervisors really representing the people, anything can be done in the way of retrenchment, and if so whether the time is not premature while on the threshold of the new year, with our accounts for the past year and the work of the year before us. The average tax of last year was heavy, but bearable, and the comments of the Mayor of the City, and the Comptroller of the City, indicate pretty clearly that the day of reckoning is not long to be put off if this stream of increasing taxation is not turned aside. The annual revenue of the City is about $10,000,000, and the total tax raised and more all receipts was $10,000,000. Should this rate of expenditure continue till the end of the present fiscal year, a most disagreeable prospect will open before the taxpayers of the City. In view of these facts, be it

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to examine the disbursements of the various departments of the present fiscal year (1870) and also the accounts of the Jail Commissioners, and report in regard to the character of the supplies furnished, from whom and at what prices they were paid, with power to send for persons and papers, having upon subjects of the investigation.

Considerable debate sprung up over both preamble and resolution, many of the members affirming it to consider that the expenses already incurred, which they had been assessed. The matter, however, was disposed of by a motion to lay it on the table till the next meeting. The Board then adjourned.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Held by Ingraham, P. J., and Barnard and Cardozo, JJ.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.

No. 1—Stanley vs. Kelly.
181—Same vs. Same.
182—Adler vs. Doherty.
183—Graham vs. Lindsay.
184—Graham vs. Same.
185—Burke vs. Isham.
186—Stuart vs. Stuart.
187—Fisher vs. Hatfield.
188—Hoffman vs. Jackson.
189—Shaw vs. Same.
190—Mitchel vs. Hayesby.
191—Pope vs. The Bank of Albany.
192—Cosgrove vs. Orden.
193—Carow vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.

No. 194—Burger vs. Devlin.
195—Bennett vs. Bennett.
196—(N. Y.) Oesterreichischer Phoenix, Proth'ns.
197—Wallace vs. Leary.
198—Bennett vs. Same.
199—Hubbel vs. Von Schoening.
200—Steward vs. The Phoenix Fire Ins. Co.
201—Same vs. Same.
202—Sykes vs. Hud. River R. R. Co.
203—Howard vs. Wright.
204—Thompson vs. Fargo, Treasurer, &c.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Held by Brady, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

No. 1—East N. Y. and Jamaica R. R. Co. vs. Hendrickson.
2—Hattersleigh vs. Whitney.
3—Burdell vs. La Casse.
4—Downey vs. Dale.
5—Shumway vs. Shumway.
6—Same vs. Same.
7—Andrews vs. Brooklyn Dry-goods Co.
8—Fleming vs. Tucker.
9—The Security Ins. Co. vs. Schultz.
10—Wilson vs. McLean.

No. 11—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Fleckenstein.
12—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
13—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
14—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
15—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
16—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
17—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
18—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
19—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
20—Ocean Nat. Bank vs. Same.
21—Stedman vs. Western Union Tel. Co.
22—Jones vs. Schmitt.
23—The Head Rubber Co. vs. The Schmitt Burler Co.
24—Jacobs vs. Kelly, Sheriff.
25—McCullom vs. Plants.
26—Kaufman vs. Dorsey.
27—Swanson vs. Sayre.

Part II.—Held by Van Brunt, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.

No. 1—Zimmerman, &c., vs. Gotendorfer.
2—Davis vs. North American Ins. Co.
3—Wright, Adm'r, &c., vs. Halstead.
4—Stang vs. Commonwealth Ins. Co.
5—Lamb & Penn. Coal Co. vs. Same.
6—Stokes vs. Johnson.
7—Bliss vs. Levy, Impl.
8—McKnight vs. Devlin.
9—French vs. Dissmore, Executor, &c.
10—Talmadge vs. Cadley.

No. 11—Rogers vs. Mann.
12—Bernhard vs. Seligman.
13—Same vs. Same.
14—Ryder vs. Commonwealth Ins. Co.
15—McMillen vs. Knox.
16—Boskin vs. Ellis.
17—Hussey vs. Fickett.
18—Russel vs. Minor.
19—American Bureau of Mines vs. West.
20—Barstow vs. Hanson.
21—Wilson vs. Stylwell.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Calendar adjourned.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by McCunn, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Same calendar.

Part II.—Held by Freedman, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Same calendar.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Larremore, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

No. 1—Scofield vs. Kelly.
2—Levy vs. McGuilty.
3—Metropolitan Imperial Park Railroad vs. Hamilton.
4—Caldwell vs. Bass.
5—Hayden vs. Jackson.
6—Shipman vs. Fleckenstein.

No. 7—Castellow, The Mayor vs. Isham vs. Robinson.
8—Weed vs. Merritt.
9—Hoffman vs. O'Callaghan.
10—Kyles vs. Hud. River R. R. Co.
11—Howard vs. Wright.
12—Thompson vs. Fargo, Treasurer, &c.

MARINE COURT.

Part I.—Held by Alker, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

No. 1—Horne vs. O'Brien.
2—Biddle vs. Mead.
3—Hendricks vs. Fox.
4—Same.
5—Schmitt vs. Koeller.
6—Amato vs. Kaufman.
7—Aeman vs. Bender.
8—Brown vs. Weiss.
9—Brooks vs. Weiss.
10—Connolly vs. McCleary.
11—Dubois vs. Brady.

No. 12—Moran vs. McGill.
13—Peely vs. Fallcher.
14—Moyer vs. Cohen.
15—Sperowske vs. Rosinger.
16—Hendel vs. Stock.
17—Noell vs. Tucker.
18—Fawcett vs. Mosher.
19—Ely vs. Remington.
20—Kanning vs. O'Neill.
21—Furlong vs. Same.

Part II.—Held by Gross, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

No. 1—Harrington vs. Sargent.
2—McKenzie vs. Devlin.
3—Metz vs. Decker.
4—Same vs. Same.
5—Overton vs. Howe.
6—Same vs. Same.
7—Tipper vs. Lyons.
8—Leland vs. Leland.
9—Weaver vs. Wal. Gray.
10—Same vs. Same.
11—Grace vs. Brincklo.
12—Barry vs. Hosmer.

No. 13—Rogers vs. Mann.
14—Bernhard vs. Seligman.
15—Dodge, &c., vs. Ashman.
16—Same vs. Same.
17—Ryder vs. Commonwealth Ins. Co.
18—McMillen vs. Knox.
19—Boskin vs. Ellis.
20—Hussey vs. Fickett.
21—Russel vs. Minor.
22—American Bureau of Mines vs. West.
23—Barstow vs. Hanson.
24—Wilson vs. Stylwell.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 17.

By Judge Sutherland.

Pruyne vs. Franklin; motion granted.
Rinkerdt vs. Smith; motion granted and order by reference granted.
Andrews vs. Vogelsdanzl; motion denied.
Twady vs. Seaman; extra allowance of $50 granted to defendants.
Schuyler vs. Levy; order to show cause granted.
Tiffany & Co. vs. Cortlee; motion granted on default of the Sheriff.
National Broadway Bank vs. Smith; motion denied without costs to either party.
Jane C. Place vs. James K. Place; motion for judgment granted.
Same vs. Same; same decision.
New-York National Exchange Bank vs. Morford; allowance to defendants of $250.
Beekman vs. Chalmers; motion granted and reference ordered.
Mooney vs. Moyer; allowance of $150 to the plaintiff.
Elfelt vs. Gran; Platt vs. Williams; motions granted.
Beaman vs. Farrington; judgment ordered.
Barker vs. Seaman; motion granted, but without costs.
Barker Place vs. James K. Place; judgment granted.
Thorp vs. Moyer; motion granted.
Platt vs. The New-York Patent Bullion Company; extra allowance to the plaintiffs of $50.
Jones vs. The Great Western Insurance Company; allowance of $400 granted to the plaintiffs.
Jewett vs. Frazer; allowance to defendants of $250.

By Judge Barnard.

Codding vs. Stimpter; motion granted.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 17.

By Chief-Justice Barbour.

Durtie vs. Cleaine; motion denied.
Ford vs. Stephen; order granted.
Gasherie vs. Sullivan; motion denied, with $10 costs.
Abensheim vs. Schwarz; order granted.
Roche vs. Mennen; Matthew vs. Wood; motions denied.
West vs. Pettinger; Mann vs. Wood; orders granted.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 17.

By Judge Joseph F. Daly.

Ryder vs. Burnham; injunction dissolved.

By Judge Larremore.

Bernhard vs. Kapp; $10 is the legal amount of costs on denial of a motion for judgment made on frivolousness of appeal.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 300.—*Jonathan Sturgis et al. vs. John H. Draper et al.*—Error to the Circuit Court for the Southern District of New-York.—This is an action against executor of the late Simeon Draper, as Collector of the Port of New-York, to recover $412 62, exacted as ten per cent. ad valorem duty upon a quantity of indigo, the product of a country east of the Cape of Good Hope, imported into New-York in 1865. The plaintiffs in error contend that under the twenty-third section of the act of March 1861, indigo was exempted from duty, and that the act of March 1862 did not impose duties on merchandise at that time exempted from duty. The Government insists that by the act of August, 1862, and March, 1863, after the date of the latter articles included in the free list were liable to the duty imposed in this case; and that these two acts, taken in connection with the decision in Hoddven vs. Collector, 6 Wall. 395, place the interpretation to be put upon subsequent legislation of Congress on the subject beyond a doubt. The interpretation put upon the statute of 1861 became a part of the statute itself, and when Congress in subsequent acts used the same or substantially the same language, the legal presumption is that it intended the language should bear the judicial construction authoritatively given to it. The decision in that case was that under the act of 1861 a duty was imposed on articles otherwise included within its provisions, although at the time of its passage they were exempt from duty.

R. R. Culver for plaintiff in error; Attorney-Gen. Akerman and Assistant Attorney-Gen. Hill for Government.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT—JAN. 17.

Before Judge Blatchford.

ADMIRALTY SUIT—COLLISION BETWEEN THE STEAMER NORWALK AND A TUG.

Wilson Leslie et al. vs. The Steamship Julia Bay.—The libelants were owners of the excursion steamer Norwalk, which was sunk in the East River in Troy, 1866, the disaster being caused by a collision between the vessel and the steamship Julia Bay, which was towing another vessel at the time. The case as it stands at present merely involves the question as to which vessel was on the right course at the time of the collision. The libelants claim about $60,000 damages.

Beebe, Cook & Donahue for the libelants; Robert D. Benedict and Erastus Benedict for the claimants.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART I.

Jan. 17.

Before Judge McCunn and a Jury.

THE PERUVIAN WAR EQUIPMENT—FIRST DEFEAT FOR THE PLAINTIFFS—THE TRANSACTION severely CRITICISED BY THE COURT.

Hermon Sterns vs. The Great Western Insurance Company.—This is the fifth of these cases which has been on trial, all of which have been already noticed in the TIMES. All the others were decided in favor of the plaintiffs, and four others were settled without coming to trial. All the actions were to recover the value of war materials shipped to Mexico for sale, much of which has been pronounced by the Peruvian war officers in this City. This case, which was for the recovery of a policy for $18,000, differs somewhat from the others, not only in some portions of the testimony adduced, but especially in testimony excluded, (among which were the shipping receipts,) and in the interpretation given by the Court to the facts as proven. In rendering his decision non-suiting the plaintiff, Judge McCunn says:

This is one of the most extraordinary cases I have ever been engaged in trying—a case the details of which, together with the examination of witnesses, require the strictest vigilance on the part of a Court. Indeed, I have had to give vigilant in my attention to its details than I am ordinarily, for the reasons that cases of a similar kind have been tried by some of my brethren, and they pursued a different course to the one I am about to take. Perhaps the evidence in this case is not sufficient against the plaintiff's recovery than in the other cases. Of this I know not, but one thing I do know, that the strange as far as it has gone, has revealed to my mind, by my the learned, a most singular state of facts, and which show upon their surface such a condition of affairs that I will not warrant me in allowing the jury to pass upon them. The plaintiff alleges that he was the agent for the Mexican Government and was engaged in the purchase of arms, and, as a venture, on his own behalf after the close of the war in Mexico. He loaded a schooner of 160 or 170 tons burden. The mate testifies he received for a large number of boxes, and the stevedore says he put them in the hold of the ship; he and the mate did not see the contents of the boxes—indeed, no one has testified to the contents of the boxes. The plaintiff says he bought 600 tons of iron goods from an itinerant broker named Mullen, and paid cash for them, and then he paid them in greenbacks, not in checks; that he paid him $10,000 of the sum in advance; that he kept no books in this case, but had done so in every other transaction with the world; he says Mullen had no place of business; has none now, but is wandering about. plaintiff knows not where; indeed, it is clear that he is a man of no account, and, as to the very last as the world to have the possession of goods to the extent of $60,000 or $70,000, and, to say the least, the whole of plaintiff's statement about the purchase from Mullen is very improbable. Then, again, the plaintiff says that, excepting the money, he so mysteriously paid in bills to Mullen out of a large sum, valued at $212,000, he only had partially shown to in cash, the balance of the goods being all paid for in Mexican bonds at sixty cents on the dollar. Out of all this extensive cargo, and out of the vast number of boxes which must necessarily be required to contain such vast quantities of equipments and accoutrements for armies, not a single respectable firm in this City is shown to have sent a single package. Now, as to the plaintiff's own statement to the underwriters, he says he did not acquaint them that his valuation which he put upon these goods—and which was necessarily overvalued—was based on the value of Mexican bonds at sixty. In his book which he publishes he shows that these bonds were worth about ten or fifteen cents on the dollar, and yet he says he had trepidation of conscience; two-thirds of her large policy, $213,000, had been paid for in these bonds, valued at sixty cents. All this appears somewhat from the Company. Not only that, but there has not been shown yet in this case that there has been $10,000 worth of valuable goods, all put together, that went on board of the vessel. It has been testified to that large numbers of boxes came there mysteriously. No one could tell from whence. They were placed in the ship's hold and coal thrown over them, and I am asked to believe that they contained arms and munitions of war, and I am required to allow the jury to believe they contain quantities of such material. I decline to believe it. Again, the evidence of the captain and the first officer of the ship shows the vessel to have been entirely unseaworthy when she left this port. The vessel was purchased, it is plaintiff alleges, for $4,000, to carry to Mexico a valuable freight worth $212,000, and then the account of the voyage given by the mate and captain shows that no rough weather during the trip was experienced, yet the schooner's butts were started, and she sunk, apparently, down from her own inherent weakness. Now, the rule is, that if a vessel sinks in ordinary sea-going weather, without any supervening cause of destruction, there must be some inherent defect or infirmity concealed in the ship, and that she sank in consequence thereof, and that she was unseaworthy before she left port. (Walsh vs. Washington Ins. Co., 3 Rob. S. C. R. 202.) In negotiating a contract of insurance the parties are not upon a level, nor do they deal at arm's length. The insurer is presumed to be a merchant, and the insured informed, in respect to the subject to be insured. Hence, in forming the contract, the insurer, except he undertake to inquire for himself, does not rely on his own resources, but reposes exclusively on the intelligence communicated by the insured. And hence, further, the parties occupying this unequal position, the law exacts of the party holding the position of advantage—i. e., the insured—the utmost good faith and candor in communicating the facts affecting the risk. So it is the contract of insurance is characterized, in legal language, as a contract *uberrimæ fidei*. And the responsibility of the insured is proportioned to his obligation; so that, if he omits to disclose whatever may be material to the hazard, or may enter as an element in the estimate of the premium, if he consciously withhold any such material fact the contract is vitiated in its origin, and he can never recover on a contract which is the offspring of his own fraudulent concealment. This rule is not only the dictate of morality, but is in harmony with all the analogies of the law. (Phillips on Insurance, Sec. 538, et seq.) Whether in an action upon contract or in tort, the plaintiff is forever precluded from recovery the moment it appears his own wrong or negligence is involved in the injury of which he complains. The value of the thing insured is obviously and essentially material, as well to risk run, as to the indemnity to be paid; and if the insured knowingly exaggerate that value and the insurer upon the faith of the statement of such excessive value in entering into the contract, the former does all right to legal redress. In proportion as the insured overestimates the value of the thing insured is he tempted to relax those precautions for its protection on which the insurer relies for his safety. And this is presenting the proposition in the least offensive aspect; for it might well be declared a presumption of law that he who designedly and egregiously overestimates the value of the property which he insures, does so with some sinister purpose. The books, I am aware, do not reckon an overvaluation among the misrepresentations which *ipso facto* avoid a policy. Nor should a casual or unimportant or honest overvaluation avail to deprive the party of all redress. But when the overvaluation, as in the case on trial, is designed, and is not only intentional but is out of all proportion beyond the cost, the actual and the market value, I hold that as well the law as public policy requires that such overvaluation should be deemed a conclusive presumption of fraud—of fraud which vitiates and annuls the contract. To hold that, notwithstanding such deliberate and flagrant overvaluation, the insured may yet recover according to the true value, would be to enable him to realize an inordinate indemnity, if not detected in his fraud, or if detected, then to obtain compensation in contravention to an honesty of intent upon which he himself repudiated in the beginning. The plaintiff himself having avowed that he knowingly caused the goods in controversy to be insured at a figure enormously beyond their cost price, and enormously beyond their actual and their market value, has no claim for relief which a Court of Justice can recognize and enforce. The nonsuit must be ordered.

Mann & Parsons and Mr. De Costa for plaintiff; Evarts, Southmayd & Choate for defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.

—JAN. 17.

Before Judge Freedman and a Jury.

THE $200,000 SUIT AGAINST THE CITY—THE LAW HELD TO BE IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFF ON A MOTION TO NONSUIT.

Russell D. Miner vs. The Mayor, &c.—In this case, the chief facts of which have already appeared in the TIMES, a motion was made for a nonsuit against the plaintiff. The motion was elaborately argued by A. J. Vanderpoel on behalf of the City, and by John E. Develin and Luther R. Marsh on behalf of the plaintiff; all the authorities bearing on the questions at issue being fully reviewed on both sides. The chief points on which defendants rested their motion to nonsuit were, that the deed to David Wagstaff from the City did not include half the street which bounded the property in question, and that in the respect the rule of law was different when the conveyance was from the Corporation from what would apply if the conveyance was from a private person. On behalf of plaintiff it was contended that the rule of law was the same with respect to a grant from a corporation as from a private person, and that the deed to Wagstaff, in the absence of any clause therein showing an unequivocal intention on the part of the grantor not to convey the entire title in the street, did convey such title, and that subsequently the street having been dedicated to public purposes by the grantee, the grantee thereupon became the absolute owner in fee of one-half of the street, or so much thereof as was not included in the new street.

Judge Freedman is on his last session, and in doing so stated the time construction of a deed as between grantor and grantee, of land bounded in general language, by or on a public highway, is that such deed carries with it the fee to the center of the road as part and parcel of the grant. This rule, he said, is based upon the supposed intention of the parties. The law will not presume an intent on the part of the grantor to withhold his interest in a public highway or in the middle of the street, after parting with all his right and title to the adjoining land. To sustain this presumption the deed of land must contain some declaration of such an intent. Thus if a lot be described by a certain side or a certain line of, or on a public highway, the conveyance does not carry the fee to the centre of the public highway. The deed executed by the Corporation to David Wagstaff in 1861, which goes to the very foundation of this action, reads thus: "All that certain piece or lot of land, parcel of the common lands of the party of the first part, described in a certain survey or chart of the said common lands, by the No. 145, and bounded on the west by a certain road, laid out on said map, called Second Road; on the east by another road, laid out on said map, called the East road; north side by a street 50 feet in breadth, between lots No. 145 and 144; and on the south side by another street of the like breadth of 50 feet, between said lot No. 145 and lot No. 146, containing in breadth at each end 4 chains and 5 links, and in length on each side 10 chains and 94 links." Middle Road is now called Fifth-avenue, and East Road is at present represented by Fourth-avenue. Now, so far as the right to any portion of the cross streets can come in question, under said deed, it will be observed that the description of the southern boundary is precisely the same as that of the northern boundary. Consequently, a construction which, while it would give to the grantee the whole width of the street, amounting to sixty feet on the north side of lot No. 145, would not give him an inch of ground belonging to the grantee on the south side of the land, comes into conflict with the very language employed to express the grant, and cannot, for that reason, be adopted. From this it follows, further, that if the said deed carried with it the fee to any portion of the cross streets, it carried the fee on the south as well as the north side of the land, to the centre of the respective streets. The next point to inquire, therefore, was as to whether such was the case. It has been established by proof that the three shares and three links called for by the deed, and amounting to almost precisely 209 feet, confirm the exact quantity of land lying between the cross streets, including the entire depth of said cross streets. But as the Corporation had caused the said streets to be laid down on their common land map, as of a width of sixty feet, and the lots on both sides of said streets to be surveyed, laid out, numbered and put down on the same map, and then conveyed lots, including the lot in question, with the reference to the existence of such streets, although they existed only on the paper, such streets as between the Corporation and their grantees, are to be deemed as having been dedicated to the public as public highways, and, therefore, a conveyance by the Corporation of a lot bounding the same in general language by one of said streets, carried with it, under the general rule before referred to, the fee to the centre of such street. After reviewing the point of defendant, that the general rule of consumption does not apply, or, if applicable, should not be applied, with the same strictness to a deed in which a municipal corporation is the grantor, Judge FREEDMAN concluded: But I can perceive of no reason why, after a deed has been executed by the Corporation, the question as to the extent of the quantity of land embraced and the appurtenances thereto belonging, and the construction to be put upon that portion of the deed, should be determined by other rules than those which would govern between private individuals in a similar case. The deed in question contains nothing from which an intent on the part of the Corporation to exclude the streets can be fairly inferred; on the contrary, when this deed is considered in connection with the origin and appearance of the common land map, the intent must be presumed, under the general rule referred to, to have been the other way. The plaintiff, therefore, through his grantors acquired the documentary title to the strip of land which forms the subject of the present controversy, and, what may be termed the equitable title, if claim is asserted to him, when by the opening of Second-street Extended, as it now exists, the old street became closed.

The case is still on trial, the chief remaining point at issue being the effect of the quit-claim deed made by the plaintiff, and which he charges to have been obtained by fraud.

Luther R. Marsh and John E. Develin for plaintiff; A. J. Vanderpoel and Algernon S. Sullivan for defendant.

FIRST DISTRICT COURT—JAN. 17.

Before Justice Quinn.

INTERESTING TO PERSONS INSURING THROUGH BROKERS.

The Beekman Fire Insurance Company vs. Charles Bauer.—In October, 1869, Mr. Fleischman, an insurance agent, asked Mr. Bauer, who kept a liquor-saloon in Third-avenue, if he wished to be insured. When the agent was asked what Company he represented, he replied that he insured for all the companies. A few days after he brought a policy of the Beekman Fire Insurance Company, and Mr. Bauer paid the premium to the agent. The agent failed to pay over the premium to the Company, and hence a suit was brought by the latter against Mr. Bauer to recover it, which was tried today. Justice QUINN said the precise question was previously before him, and he had written an opinion, holding that the insurance broker who was instructed by the owner of the property had all implied rights to collect the premium, and that when the assured paid the premium to the broker, it could not be collected again. The Court of Common Pleas had reversed his judgment on appeal, and this other side had taken the case to the Court of Appeals, where it is now pending. He must, therefore, now give judgment in favor of the Insurance Company.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 17.

FIRST BOARD.

$60,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	110⅝	116 W. U. Tel.	48⅝
50,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	110⅝	200 do	48⅝
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65	106⅝	100 do...bet. cash	48⅝
50,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new	107	100 Pac. Mail	41⅝
7,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	107⅝	100 do	41⅝
5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	107⅝	100 Quicksilver Pf.	74
5,000 do	107⅝	100 Am. M. U. Ex.	67
25,000 do	107⅝	100 do	67⅝
10,000 Tenn. 6s, ns.	84⅝	200 N. Y. C. & H. R.	91⅝
7,000 Tenn. 6s, o. s.	84⅝	200 do	91⅝
18,000 N. C. Old Bds.	45⅝	200 Erie	21⅝
2,000 do	45⅝	400 Harlem	135
2,000 Ga. 6s, '86	90⅝	62 Reading	93⅝
3,000 Ga. 6s, '86	79	1000 do	93⅝
2,000 N. C. St. 6s, n.	23⅝	100 do	93⅝
11,000 Ga. 6s, '86, bd.	94⅝	200 do...bet. cash	93⅝
2,000 S. C. St. 6s, '89, J. & J.	68	100 do...bet. cash	93⅝
10,000 do	68	25 U. Pacific	15
10,000 do	68	300 do	14⅝
10,000 do	68	300 L. S. & M. S.	86⅝
3,000 do	68	100 do	86⅝
2,000 La. 6s, old	72	100 C. & N. W.	71⅝
3,000 Ala. 5s, '67, 1st	100	100 C. & N. W. Pf.	83⅝
5,000 Ark. 7s, 1s. to 10	20	200 do	83⅝
L. R. & F. S.	8	5 N. J. Cen.	103⅝
Smith R. Co.	60	200 C. & R. I.	105⅝
2,000 Ala. 8s, '86	105	100 do	105⅝
2,000 N. Y. St. 7s, Fy		100 do...bet. cash	105⅝
L'n, R.	108⅝	200 do	105⅝
1,000 Erie, 2d m.	92	100 do	105⅝
4,000 Erie, 4th m.	86	100 do...bet. cash	105⅝
3,000 Harlem, 1st m.	101⅝	1 M. & St. P.	69
15,000 U. Pac. R. G. bs	90⅝	200 do...bet. cash	69⅝
2,000 do	90⅝	200 do	69⅝
1,000 Mich. S. & N. I.	98	200 do	69⅝
20,000 Un. Pac. R., 1st	74⅝	200 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	81⅝
10,000 Un. Pac. Inc. In.	40⅝	200 Tol., W. & W.	36⅝
20,000 do	40⅝	100 do	36⅝
30,000 do	40⅝	100 do	36⅝
2,000 Ch. & N. W. Con.	87⅝	100 do	36⅝
5,000 H. & St. Jo. 6s, D.	102	300 do	36⅝
3,000 C. & N. W. 6s, S. F.	93⅝	100 Del., L. & W.	103⅝
2,000 do	93⅝	100 Ill. Cen.	118⅝
4,000 C. R. I. & P. 6s	97	100 St. L. & I. M.	47⅝
1,000 C. & P. 6s, '81	98	50 N. Jersey	122
1,000 C. & P. 6s, '82	98	100 Mor. & Essex	80⅝
2,000 N. Mo. 1st 8s	82⅝	15 do	80⅝
2,000 St. L., J. & C. 1st	92⅝	100 H. & St. Jo. Pf.	32⅝
1 Bank of Republic	115	200 H. & St. Jo. Pf.	32⅝
50 Quicksilver	9	100 C., C. & I. Cen.	15

SECOND BOARD.

$5,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	110⅝	100 Adams Exp.	60
30,000 do	110⅝	100 N. Y. C. & H. R.	91⅝
5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new	107⅝	100 do	91⅝
27,000 do	107⅝	200 do	91⅝
14,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	107⅝	200 do...bet. cash	91⅝
10,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	107⅝	100 Harlem	135
20,000 U. S. 10-40 R. C.	107⅝	200 Reading	93⅝
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	107⅝	100 L. S. & Mich. S.	86
30,000 do	107⅝	100 do	86⅝
20,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '68	108⅝	200 do...bet. cash	86⅝
10,000 do	108⅝	100 do	86⅝
10,000 Tenn. 6s, new	84⅝	100 Mich. Cen.	87
5,000 do	84⅝	100 Erie	21⅝
100 Quicksilver	9	100 West. Union Tel.	48⅝
100 C., C. & I. Cen.	15	100 Pacific Mail	41⅝

The Wall-Street markets are all stiffer than yesterday. Gold, 110⅝@110⅞ ₱ cent, sales, and Bills on London 109⅝@109⅞ ₱ cent. The Public Funds advanced to 108⅝ ₱ cent for the 5-20s of 1867, and to 107⅝@108 ₱ cent for the 5 ₱ cents, 10-40s. The Southern State Bonds broke down on South Carolines to 68 ₱ cent. The Tennessees were steady and Missouris strong. The 7 ₱ cents of Missouri have advanced to 97⅝@97⅞ ₱ cent. As the whole issue of this high class of Missouris is less than a million and a half dollars, the Bonds are quite sensitive to any investment orders.

The "lock-up" of Money engineered yesterday, according to Street rumor, by Mr. DANIEL DREW, (through his Broker firm of KEENON, COX & Co.,) and Messrs. TRUMAN & COLGATE and RUFUS HATCH & Co., brought in the Mechanics' Bank a creditor at the Clearing-House, this morning, $4,300,000 through the account of Mr. DREW's house, to the large amount of $4,200,000, subject to be drawn out, pursuant to notice to the Cashier last night, in Greenbacks. Whether the sum, or any considerable part of it, was so drawn or not, the Money Market appeared to act wholly independent of the proceeding, and the Railway Stocks, designed to be most prejudiced by it, advanced 1@1½ ₱ cent. For a year or two past the prevailing sentiment of the business public has regarded this "lock-up" of Money from free employment, for Stock-jobbing ends, as rather a dirty sort of business, and it is extremely questionable whether there is any thing in the standing of the parties now concerned, or in the antecedents or complicity of the Mechanics' Bank, to lend it respectability.

Money was easy at 7 ₱ cent, after 12 o'clock, and the Stock market buoyant in the Afternoon, after showing unusual steadiness, while the Money "scare" was still talked of through the early part of the day.

After the late Boards the following quotations were made, as compared with Monday night:

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—JAN. 17.

	Monday.	Tuesday.
United States 10-40s	107⅝	107⅝
United States 5-20s of 1862	106⅝	106⅝
United States 5-20s of 1867	108	108⅝
American Gold	110⅝	110⅝
Bills on London, 60 days	109⅝	109⅝
New Bonds of Tennessee	68	68⅝
New-York Central and Hudson	91⅝	92
N. Y. C. & H. Debt Certificates	89⅝	89⅝
Reading Railroad	97⅝	98⅝
Chicago and Rock Island	106	106⅝
North-west Common	71⅝	72
North-west Preferred	82⅝	82⅝
Pacific Mail Company	41⅝	42
St. Paul Preferred	72⅝	73
St. Paul Common	60⅝	62
Lake Shore	88⅝	89⅝
Ohio and Mississippi	30⅝	31⅝
Toledo and Wabash	49⅝	50⅝
Western Telegraph	46⅝	47⅝
Erie	21⅝	20⅝
St. Joseph Common	31⅝	31⅝

The Customs duties today were again heavy, for this season of the year—over $600,000, making a million and a quarter in Gold received into the Treasury since Monday morning. The Treasury, to-morrow, will buy and pay for in Currency $3,000,000 United States 5-20s, for the Sinking Fund; and, on Thursday, will sell $1,000,000 Gold. The amendment to the Funding Bill of last session was finally passed through Congress today, and the Secretary of the Treasury is now authorized to negotiate any part of $500,000 of 10 years' 5 ₱ cent. Stock, at par for Gold, or in exchange dollar for dollar, for United States 5-20s. He is also authorized to make the Interest on the new Stock payable either quarterly or half-yearly. At the present market, exclusive of accumulated Interest, the old 5 ₱ cents are selling at the equivalent of 95½ ₱ cent., in Gold, while the 5-20s are selling at 97½ ₱ cent., in Gold. The difference is not such as to forbid the expectation of an early exchange of the new Stock for 5-20s, if not for Gold itself.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 17.

Gold receipts	$478,988 12
Gold payments	515,994 22
Gold balance	61,323,486 66
Currency receipts	192,768 23
Currency payments	242,192 26
Currency balance	9,849,601 00
Customs	611,000 00

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent reg., '81	110⅝	5-20 coup., '67	108⅝
6 ₱ cent coup., '81	110⅝	5-20 coup., '68	108⅝
5-20 coup., '62	109⅝	10-40 reg.	107⅝
5-20 coup., '64	109⅝	10-40 coup.	107⅝
5-20 coup., '65	108⅝	6s currency	110⅝
5-20 coup., n. i., '65	107⅝		

And the following for the State Bonds:

Tenn. 6s, old	62⅝	Ark. 7s, M. & L. R.	60
Tenn. 6s, new bds	62⅝	Ohio 6 ₱ cent., '81	100⅝
Va. 6s, new bds	61	Ohio 6 ₱ cent., '86	100⅝
Va. 6s, reg., old	61	Ill. Canal bds.	70
Georgia 6s	70⅝	Ill. Coupon 6s, '77	100
N. Car. 6s, old	34⅝	Ill. Coupon 6s, '79	100
N. Car. 6s	34	Ill. War Loan	100
N. Car. 6s, new	34	Mich. 7 ₱ ct. '78	100
N. Car. new bds	33⅝	N. Y. reg. Bounty L.	108⅝
S. Car., new bds	38	N. Y. Coup. Bounty L.	108
S. Car., April & Oct.	40	N. Y. 6s, Canal 1s	72⅝
Mo. 6s, old	90	N. Y. 6s, Canal 2s	74⅝
Mo., H. & St. Jo. 1s	89	N. Y. 6s, Canal 3s	75⅝
La. 6s, Levee bds	71	N. Y. 6s, Canal 4s	76⅝
California 7s	108	N. Y. 6s, Canal 5s	76⅝
Connecticut 6s	100	N. Y.

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 18, 1871.

Amusements this Evening.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
RICHELIEU. Characters by Messrs. Edwin Booth, Barrett, Sheridan, Miss Fairman, Miss Livingston and others.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
Between 28th and 29th-sts., near Broadway.
SARATOGA. Leading characters by Messrs. Harkins, Lewis, Davidge, Miss Fanny Davenport and Miss Fanny Morant.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, near Houston-st.
WEE WILLIE WINKIE. Characters by Messrs. G. L. Fox, Sherwood, Atkins, Miss Fanny Reeve, Miss Reeves, Miss Yeamans, and others.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, near Prince-st.
THE BLACK CROOK. Leading characters by Messrs. Morton, Rogers, Hamilton, and Miss Pauline Markham.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
FAINT HEARS NEVER WON FAIR LADY and CURED UP. Leading characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, Lanagan, Miss Rose Gerard and Mrs. Barry.

LINA EDWIN'S THEATRE.
Broadway, near Washington-place.
MAKEPPA and HIS LAST LEGS. Leading characters by Mr. Frank Drew.

STADT THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
THE ROBBERS. Leading character by Miss Marie Seebach.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
DRAMATIC PERFORMANCES. Afternoon and evening. Large collection of curiosities on exhibition.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., between 2d and 3d-avs.
GRAND EQUESTRIAN and GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES.
MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

ACADEMY OF DESIGN.
Fourth-st., corner 4th-av.
EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS AND STATUARY.

Terms of the New-York Times.

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The DAILY TIMES, per annum, including the Sunday Edition.....$12
The DAILY TIMES, per annum, exclusive of the Sunday Edition.....10
The Sunday Edition, per annum.....2
The Semi-Weekly, per annum.....5
Two copies, one year.....9
Ten copies, one year.....85
And an extra copy to getter-up of club.
The WEEKLY TIMES, per annum.....2
Five copies, one year.....8
Ten copies, one year.....15
And an extra copy to getter-up of club.
Twenty copies, one year.....25
And an extra copy to getter-up of club.
The European Edition, per annum, postage extra 3
Subscriptions to other foreign editions received for a limited period, at the rate of $3 per line per annum.
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These prices are invariable. We have no traveling agents. Remit in drafts on New-York or Post-office Money Orders if possible, and where neither of these can be procured send the money in a registered letter.
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Special Notices, fifth page, after Marriages and Deaths, 50 cents per line each insertion.
Advertisements on eighth page, 25 cents per line each insertion.
City Items with word "advertisement" prefixed, 50 cents per line each insertion.
Deaths or Marriages Notices, 25 cents each insertion.
The above have been the fixed advertising rates of the NEW-YORK TIMES for the past eight years, and will not be changed, although our circulation has largely increased during that time.

To Advertisers.

Advertisers in the TIMES are requested to bring to their notice at as early an hour in the day as possible. If received after 8½ o'clock, it will be impossible to classify them under their proper heads.
For the accommodation of up-town advertisers, subscriptions to insertion in the TIMES will be received at No. 24 West 14th-st., at Brooks's, corner 6th-av. and 14th-st., and at No. 30 East 14th-st., between Broadway and 4th-av.; also at No. 9 Astor-place, at office hereinafter named for publication.
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Notice.

We cannot notice anonymous communications. In all cases we require the writer's name and address, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.
We cannot undertake to return rejected communications, nor can we undertake to preserve manuscripts.
Advertisements for the WEEKLY TIMES must be handed in before 10 o'clock this evening.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE WAR.

The latest news from Gen. CHANZY's head-quarters represents him in a new and strong position, and states fresh troops on the way from Cherbourg to reinforce him. The German reports say his retreat was made in disorder, while the dispatches from French sources make the contrary assertion. King WILLIAM telegraphs that 20,000 of CHANZY's army were captured in the retreat. The French General attributed his defeat and the evacuation of Le Mans to an inexplicable panic among some of the troops and the loss of important positions, which compromised the safety of the entire army and the failure to execute certain orders given by himself. The Germans represent the defeat here Glos to have been by a superior force, through which the German detachment attempted cut its way. A Versailles telegram says new batteries were unmasked by the French to the south of Paris on Monday, which were speedily silenced by the German artillerists, with the loss of two officers and seventeen men. French dispatches represent that reinforcements have been sent from Cherbourg to the Army of the North, and that fresh recruits continually arrive there. Gen. VON WERDER on Sunday, repulsed a serious French attack, to the south of Belfort, after nine hours' fighting, in which he says he lost but 200 men.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

The member of Parliament for Bradford, England, Mr. FORSTER, in a speech to his constituency, on Monday, spoke of the France-Prussian war, and advised non-participation in the struggle. Adverting to the Alabama claims, he expressed a well-grounded hope that Gen. SCHENCK would be a powerful agent in the removal of the existing estrangement between Americans and the English.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, a memorial of the American Institute was presented, praying for the honor of the centennial celebration of 1876. Among the new bills introduced was one proposing an amendment of the Constitution, making every person eligible for President, who may be thirty-five years of age, and fourteen years a resident of the country. The bill authorizing a contract with the American and European Steam-ship Company for carrying the mails, was reported. A joint resolution for the disposal of public lands in the South on the same basis with those of the West, was debated for some time and finally laid over. The House bill authorizing the additional issue of $300,000,000 of five per cent. bonds was concurred in. A communication was received from the President submitting information regarding disloyal organizations in North Carolina. The bill to refund to States the interest and discount on money borrowed for war purposes was taken up and discussed, but not disposed of.

In the House two or three bills were passed without debate, including that providing for the proper treatment of cattle on railroad cars. A resolution was referred authorizing the President to appoint Commissioners to investigate the mode in which the various Pacific Railroads have disposed of the aid granted to them by the Government. The Naval Appropriation bill, which appropriates $19,239,111, was reported, and the House, in Committee of the Whole, completed the consideration of the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill. A motion to increase the salaries of Circuit Judges from $5,000 to $6,500 a year, gave rise to considerable discussion, in the course of which an enlightened member from New-Hampshire proposed to reduce the salaries to $4,500. The principal advocates of the measure were Mr. ARMSTRONG of Pennsylvania, Mr. PORTER of New-York, and Mr. BUTLER of Massachusetts. Both amendments were rejected, as were several others of a similar kind. The Military Academy Appropriation bill was also considered and, on the rising of the Committee, was passed by the House. The House then proceeded to act on the amendments to the Legislative bill. That repealing the provision for the publication of statutes in newspapers was rejected. Pending the vote on the proposition to pay Mr. DOUGLAS the salary of Commissioner of Internal Revenue while performing the duties of that office, the House adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Among the bills introduced in the Senate, yesterday, was one providing redress for words imputing unchastity to a female married or single, and to permit married women to sue in their own names. A bill introduced by Mr. TWEED provides that the Tax Levy for 1871 and 1872 in the City of New-York shall not exceed two per centum on the value of real and personal estate, and makes the Mayor, Controller, the Commissioner of Public Works and the President of the Department of Public Parks a board of estimate to prepare the Tax Levy, without submitting it to the Legislature as heretofore. A resolution providing for a change in the Constitution to prohibit the payment from the State Treasury of any money to a sectarian or religious school was laid on the table under the rule. The bill prohibiting the opening of streets or roads through the grounds of St. John's College, in West Farms, after debate on the bill to confirm certain matters relating to public institutions, the Senate adjourned. In the House, petitions were submitted relating to wharfage for elevators in New-York and Brooklyn. Bills were introduced to amend the laws exempting ministers of the Gospel from taxation; to prohibit gas companies requiring new occupants to pay the unpaid gas bills of previous occupants; to charter the Flushing Water Company, and to prohibit the collection of tolls on any highway in Kings County. A report from the Commissioners of the American Cemetery, asking a further appropriation toward erecting a monument, was submitted by the Governor, and the House adjourned.

GENERAL.

The Virginia Senate, yesterday, by a strict party division, voted $500 to purchase a portrait of the late ROBERT E. LEE, and by the same division refused an appropriation for a portrait of Gen. THOMAS.

The Canadian cutter *Water Lily* brought into St. John, N. B., the American schooner *Enterprise*, captured at Bliss Harbor, Bay of Fundy, for violation of the fishery regulations.

South American news to Dec. 22 has been received by way of London. A war credit of 12,000 scudos had been opened in Brazil. Señor RIVOLO has been elected President of Paraguay. The Uruguay and Entre Rios revolutions were still in progress, without additional fighting.

The delegates to the New-Jersey State Temperance Convention met in Trenton yesterday. Bills favoring local prohibition were passed, to be advocated before the Legislature. The evening session was crowded. Rev. THEODORE L. CUYLER, of Brooklyn, delivered the address.

The officers of the Grand Lodge F. and A. M. of New-Jersey meet in session in Trenton today and Thursday.

The Grand Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Vermont, in Rutland, Vt., on Monday, unanimously re-elected Gen. W. W. HENRY, of Burlington, Grand Commander.

Judge BYRON PAINE, of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin, died, on Saturday, in Milwaukee, after a painful illness of several weeks.

A Havana telegram says Gen. MADRUGA, Gov. JOSE TRUJILLO, and other insurgent leaders in the Colon District have surrendered, and that quiet is, therefore, restored in that section.

Hon. HENRY WILSON was re-elected to the United States Senate by a joint vote of the Massachusetts Legislature of 212 to 40 for JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, 11 for WENDELL PHILLIPS, and 1 for Mr. DAWES.

Hon. F. T. FRELINGHUYSEN was nominated for the United States Senate by the Republican members of the New-Jersey Legislature last night.

The Post-office at Easton, Penn., was robbed on Monday night of about $600. An express messenger was also robbed at the railroad depot there last night of about $7,000.

Hon. LOT M. MORRILL was re-elected United States Senator, yesterday, by the Maine Legislature.

A snow-storm of forty-eight hours duration, at Chicago, terminated on Sunday night, leaving twenty-one inches of snow in the streets. Telegraphic and railway communication with points west of that city have been considerably impeded.

An Organized System of Plunder.

Tammany reached the maximum of audacity long ago,—it now approaches desperation. The bill introduced by Mr. TWEED in the Senate, yesterday, shows that he is forcing matters with a reckless determination to make sure of present opportunities. He is assured that nothing which he can grasp shall escape him. The City Tax Levy might be surpassed, even now, to be all he could desire. It is concocted by the Ring, is held in reserve until near the end of a session, and is then rushed through both Houses with a supreme contempt for public opinion. Experience has proved that there is hardly any iniquity which the Tax Levy may not be made to cover. It is as free from restraints as any ordinary band of plunderers could wish it to be. And the minor formalities, which for appearance sake it does impose, are easily got rid of under the free and easy management of the Controller's office.

But the members of the Ring are not satisfied. They cannot steal enough. A semblance of regularity is kept up by the system of legislative appropriations, which, in the aggregate, define the limits within which they may rob the tax-payers. This check, slight as it is, is now to be swept away. TWEED's bill transfers the Tax Levy from the Legislature to a Board of Apportionment to be created for the purpose. The Legislature is hereafter to fix the rate of taxation to be collected,—and there its authority will end. All else will be in the hands of the Board. Its members will have the power of determining the amount to be wrung from the tax-payers, and the manner in which the revenues shall be applied. They will distribute among the various departments the taxes collected according to their pleasure,—retaining authority to redistribute what at any period may remain unexpended, if personal or partisan exigencies render a fresh division expedient. In short, under this bill there is hardly a plan of robbing the public which the Board to be created may not carry out. It will have no difficulty in stealing as many millions in a year as Tammany's rapacious maw can hold.

The fact that the Legislature is allowed to fix the rate of taxation, has no significance whatever. For the next year Mr. TWEED magnanimously consents to limit it to two per cent. What is gained by this limitation? Absolutely nothing. The valuation of the property to be taxed will be settled by Tammany, which may thus tax without stint. By doubling the valuation, the tax may virtually be made four per cent. TWEED has but to pull a wire, and the taxation levied will be as he commands. It is impossible to conceive of a more complete despotism in the matter of collecting and spending the people's money,—or a despotism less subject to responsibility of any sort. The Ring, under TWEED's bill, may exact unlimited taxation, and may appropriate the proceeds with entire impunity. There is no officer, no authority, to call them to account. The tax-payers can hope for no information upon the subject. They will not be permitted to know what is collected, or how what is collected is spent. The Board of Apportionment will recognize no superior authority. It may thieve to any extent. And the Controller being a consenting party, it will only be necessary now and then to call in the services of the Astor Whitewashing Committee to make all right.

Of whom, then, is this Board of Apportionment to be composed? Who are the men who will wield this tremendous power over the purses of the community? TWEED's bill supplies an answer. They are Mayor HALL, Controller CONNOLLY, PETER B. SWEENY, and the great TWEED himself. These men are our masters already. The sole drawback to their sovereignty has been the necessity of going to the Legislature with a list of appropriations to be provided for. The drawback is to be abolished,—their sovereignty is to be complete. HALL, CONNOLLY, SWEENY and TWEED are henceforth to be empowered to tax without stint, and to squander the taxes without the slightest hindrance. There is no reason why TWEED and SWEENY may not double their fortunes in a couple of years, or why HALL and CONNOLLY may not in half that time become the proprietors of "palatial stables." The tax-payers are at their mercy. Whether the tax-payers will submit to be plundered for an indefinite period is another question. It seems to us that TWEED & Co. begin to have misgivings upon that point, and are intent upon feathering their nests while they can.

The Crisis of the Struggle in France.

What may be called the third epoch of the Franco-German war, is drawing to a close. The first ended with Woerth, when it was demonstrated that an offensive campaign was out of the question, and that all the available strength of France would be required to defend her own soil. The second ended with Sedan, when the inexpacity for this purpose, of the Empire and its regularly organized army was fully demonstrated. The third will close with the inevitable surrender of Paris, and the more than probable defeat of the thrice-organized Army of the Loire, which has once more been summoned to make a supreme effort on behalf of "Liberty and the Republic." After that, if the war continues at all, it must be in the form of irregularly organized and desultory fighting, by bodies of men animated by no uniform impulse, save the single determination of saying No! to every demand for submission on the basis of territorial concession. Terrible as have been the hardships of the later phases of the struggle, one like this would be far more replete with horrors. Strong as the Germans are, they have not force sufficient for a complete military occupation of France; but, once released from the vast enterprise of besieging Paris, they can isolate in the most complete manner, the four great sections of French territory and population from each other; they can prevent any possible Government being obeyed over any but a very small portion of the country; they can, in fact, complete the social and political chaos which is already impending over the nation.

The Republican leaders of France—and no other political power need for a moment be taken into account—know this as well as the most disinterested of on-lookers. Yet it by no means follows that universal submission will follow the fall of Paris. They may simply elect, with the possible concurrence of the majority of the people, to allow Germany to work out the problem before her, in any way she thinks fit. They may say, "She has got the provinces she wants, let her keep them, but their cession will be formally ratified by no act of ours. While the invader remains on our soil we shall continue to refuse to convene a National Assembly, whose sittings would be held under the muzzles of Prussian cannon. Our conquerors want a huge indemnity; the longer they stay the more difficulty they will have in raising it. Let them go on making forced requisitions here and there, so long as they find them repay the cost of collection. Let them continue to spread famine and pestilence as they have already scattered death and ruin, till civilization cries shame, and in very weariness Germany recalls her hosts, and contents herself with occupying what she intends permanently to keep." Such a resolution might be deplorable enough, but no one can say that it is impossible. Come what may, France and the Republic are indestructible, and it is far from impossible that the approaching crisis of the national defense may be only the opening of a new phase of this determined and terrible struggle.

Mr. Brooks on Tammany Advertisements.

Any newspaper which now publishes the City advertisements is bound to do the work of the Tammany Ring, either in an active or a passive way. If it does not publish articles extolling TWEED and SWEENY—as the *World*, "under its present control," and according to its recent bargain with SWEENY, as negotiated with Gov. HOFFMAN, is obliged to do—it is at least expected to hold its tongue. If it does not praise, it must not blame. Of course the *World* must march to the music at all times, and is even made to "foul its own nest," like the very dirty bird it always has been. But the general run of the papers receiving Corporation advertisements are merely gagged, or at the utmost are only asked to support the Ring at election time.

This fact, we say, is gradually sinking into the public mind, so that it recognizes the words "Official Canvass," at the head of an advertisement, as representing the collar of TWEED. But we now know, on the authority of a Tammany spokesman—a man who was sent to Congress at the very last election by means of Tammany influence—that any paper thus used for Tammany advertisements is actually a spy upon the Republican Party. Mr. JAMES BROOKS brought this specific charge against Mr. HUGH HASTINGS on Monday, and supported it in the following manner:

"In proof of that charge, he had before him the *Commercial Advertiser* of the 12th of January, containing six columns of an advertisement of the New-York City Corporation. That paper received these advertisements, from the profits of which it received $25,000 or $30,000 a year. This was his (Mr. BROOKS') response to the sympathetic appeal of Mr. HASTINGS to the Republican side of the House."

Thus, then, we need not be in any doubt as to the true meaning of the Tammany Badge when we see it stuck upon any paper. Mr. JAMES BROOKS testifies that it implies total subserviency to the Ring. He, as we have said, was the Tammany nominee at the last election, and therefore his authority cannot be disputed. Perhaps that portion of the public which will not believe a Republican will take the word of Mr. JAMES BROOKS.

The spectacle of this Tammany Democrat appearing in Congress as the champion of the Republican Party is an extremely interesting one, even in this age of wonders, and it might well suggest many comments. At present we shall only say that Mr. BROOKS' attitude is less surprising than that of Republican members of Congress, who are laboring to gratify the personal animosities of the very Democrat who boasted at the last election that if the United States troops dared to put their foot in the City, he and his friends would "throw them into the river." That Mr. JAMES BROOKS should have been enabled to get a Congressional committee to revenge his private feuds, is one of the circumstances which show how thoroughly Congress mistakes the nature of the duties which it is expected to fulfill.

A Ghostly Revival.

Lovers of the marvelous will rejoice to learn that there is a prospect of a revival of the old-fashioned ghost in all its soul-thrilling and flesh-creeping perfection. Not long since the good people of Cincinnati were harrowed by the supernatural delineation of a deceased lady's face on one of the windows of her residence. As numbers of well-known citizens witnessed the phenomenon, and recorded their testimony in the public prints, only the most obstinate skeptic could doubt its existence. And now Sandusky, not to be outdone, favors us with a similar window-pane portrait, taken without aid of human hands, and presenting the additional attraction that the lady in this case is not only young and pretty, but alive; whereas the original of the Cincinnati phantasm was presumably ugly, and dead. So distinct is this last picture that, we are told, it is at once recognized as that of a young lady of New-Orleans, who occupied the room in the hotel to which the pictorial window belongs, and who was in the habit of looking through it for hours at a time.

In both of these cases, to be sure, the material scoffer may find a plausible physical explanation of the phenomenon. Granting that Cincinnati and Sandusky observation is entirely exact, it may be that the natural action of the light may produce in some way not yet understood, without the aid of chemicals, fortuitous photographs on the casual glass. But from the quiet Virginia village of Buchanan we have the story of a veritable and unmistakable ghost. A worthy clergyman, with the rather ominous title of Rev. Mr. THRASHER, has been the chief object of the attentions of the reckless goblin. First, in a freak suggestive of mundane influence, it stole the reverend gentleman's corn. But instead of carrying it away, as any earthly burglar would have done, this thievish and prodigal sprite contented itself with spilling the grain upon the ground at a distance from the crib. Then, apparently emboldened by success, it attacked the enemy's dwelling, flung the furniture and household utensils about at night, and came and went at its own sweet shadowy will, through lines of warlike and "vigilant neighbors armed to the teeth."

Not content with this impertinence, the ill-bred vision has had the effrontery to disturb its reverend victim in his study. Often while writing he has heard a "bold knock on the door several times repeated," but on his "seizing a pistol and rushing to the door, lo! nothing was there," indicating that the importunate shade has at least the virtue of discretion. But the strangest incident in all this mysterious recital is the experience which befell the good clergyman, when a few evenings ago he made a visit to his neighbor, Dr. WOOD. "While there," in our informant's words, "he heard his little children, whom he had left at home, ringing a bell, and at the same time heard a violent knocking at the door, and on approaching, armed with a shot-gun, and accompanied by Dr. WOOD, he distinctly heard his little son inquire of the unwelcome visitor what was wanted." The unwelcome visitor was apparently almost as unintelligible as the author of this thrilling tale, for "a reply was given, but in an undistinguishable mumble, resembling, as Dr. WOOD describes it, a confusion of voices coming from the ground." Lest the scoffer should seek in childish mischief a prosaic solution of the riddle, the Buchanan editors hasten to assert, on the authority of both gentlemen, "that not the least trace of any person or thing was visible, although every nook and corner of the premises were carefully examined; nor"—observe the precision of the negative—"could any person in the house produce the sounds they heard, no one being at home except his"—either Dr. WOOD's, Mr. THRASHER's, or the ghost's—"three little children, the eldest a brave little boy of twelve Summers, who with"—the ordinary plaything of Virginian infancy—"pistol in hand, was interlocuting the bobgoblin."

Here, then, is a genuine tit-bit for the wonder-loving. The undistinguishable mumble still remains unfreed to earthly lungs, and all the vigilance and the pistols, the interlocution and the double-barreled shot-guns of Rev. Mr. THRASHER, his belligerent and inquiring nursery, and his intrepid neighbors, have failed to bring their unsubstantial foe to bay. "Something like a thin shadow bearing resemblance to a human form," has indeed flashed athwart the eager gaze of the armed and sentinel THRASHER, keeping midnight watch in his desecrated front yard; but before his shot-gun could be brought to bear, the airy nothing "had passed by him swiftly as the wind and instantly disappeared." And we triumphantly ask with our ghostly adviser, "What is it? and is it not strange that any person would risk his life, night after night, for six weeks together, and in the daytime even, for the purpose of playing a foolish, practical joke?" We think it is, and we advise this audacious phantom to give over his perilous moonlight and noontide flittings before the inevitable vengeance of outraged Buchanan overtakes him.

Marriage in a Hurry.

People often come to their deaths in strange ways out West, but in marrying they usually stick to the old-fashioned process. It may be that like *Mosquet* in "Richelieu," they think marriage the more formidable affair of the two, and that, while to face death only demands the ordinary boldness of man, knowingly to march to wedlock requires "the courage of a lion." Be this as it may, progress appears to be making encroachments even on the altar, beyond the Mississippi. An affair occurred the other day in a little town of Marion County, Missouri, which at all events indicates digression from the beaten track in a manner to command attention. A young couple were united without meaning it. They did not mean it, that is, in the morning. So far, in truth, were they from such a design, that both were engaged to be married to other people. These latter are to be congratulated, no doubt, that things have fallen out as they have, even although a breach of promise case may fairly lie in each instance. According to a local journal, "pluck had more to do in this union than mutual attraction." Possibly more "pluck" would have been shown by the contracting parties in adhering to their proper engagements. Of this, however, the reader can judge on hearing their story. It has made a great stir in Marion County, the sensation consisting in the fact that the parties did not want to marry, never intended to marry, and had no idea of what they were doing until the wedding was a fact.

The transaction seems to have been brought about thus: Two young people, Mr. JOSEPH CHIPMAN and Miss NANNIE HUTCHISON, being thrown in company, were whiling away the hour by a general talk about matrimony. Previously they appear to have been indulging in some of the mutual banter which is illustrated by the juvenile game of "Follow my Leader." That is to say, when one of a party does a given thing, the other must do likewise or pay a forfeit. Now, whether fired by a sudden fit of daring, or stimulated by some more occult purpose, JOSEPH suddenly affirmed that he could "back down" NANNIE in getting married that very day. The fair damsel promptly retorted that he could do nothing of the kind. She could and would rush into danger as far or further than her challenger. Neither would retreat, and each vowed that there would be a wedding that night unless the other withdrew. It is declared that the lady felt sure when the ordeal came, the gentleman would retreat; and that the gentleman entertained a similar deep-seated conviction respecting the lady. A few hours were to show how deeply both were mistaken. It happened that no clergyman lived nearer than Emerson, a town four miles away. The young man proposed to go after this minister, and have the nuptials solemnized then and there. The young lady, with a shrewdness, not to say a suspiciousness, that does her honor, said she would go along too. Hence, they started together in a buggy, with no real purpose, it is said, even then, of figuring as principals in a wedding, and leaving their acquaintances laughing at what they deemed a first-rate joke.

Arrived at Emerson, neither party would give in. With indomitable resolution, each was determined to "back down" the other. By midnight the clergyman was hunted up and acquainted with the situation. Even at the last moment, and on the dangerous edge of things, each secretly fancied that the other was about to capitulate. The consequence is already imagined. The daring and inflexible pair were married in the buggy. Hymen thus lighted his torch under circumstances probably quite unprecedented, and JOSEPH and NANNIE returned to the circle of their admiring friends mated for life.

No intelligence has yet been received from either of the parties to whom the bride and groom had previously plighted their troth. They have, however, abundant reason for accepting the situation with equanimity. Meanwhile it is hoped, as usual, by the well-wishers of the new candidates for connubial bliss, that the nuptials, though hasty, will yet prove happy ones; and that Mr. and Mrs. CHIPMAN, notwithstanding they were united in a buggy, and at six hours' notice, will not add fresh examples to the long catalogue of those who have married in haste to repent at leisure. It will be seen from the whole story that although clergymen have sometimes grave scruples about burying men on account of their occupations during life, they have none about solemnizing the office of matrimony at all sorts of hours, and without asking any questions of the parties applying to them.

MINOR TOPICS.

The aversion of Democratic Senators or Assemblymen to any change in the Constitution which shall protect the Treasury from the assaults of the managers of sectarian or religious schools, is not at all surprising. They have found sectarian grants too serviceable as an electioneering agency to willingly abandon them. But the principle involved is most obnoxious, and the abuses to which it has led are too shameful to be tolerated much longer. The tax-payers would consider themselves grossly outraged if they were required to contribute to the maintenance of Churches, or if they understood that New-York has a State Church in everything but name. That, however, is the fact. The Legislature is not asked to support preachers or priests, but it does, year after year, appropriate large sums for sectarian purposes,—of which some one Church obtains the lion's share. A gentle anti-sectarian agitation would do no harm.

Judge KELLEY, doubtless, has reasons of his own for making war upon the income tax. With that tax abolished, the question of surplus would be settled for the year. But we are glad to see that he does not intend to allow the resolution adopted by the House at the opening of the session to be a dead letter. So long as the tax was required for revenue purposes, attacks upon its constitutionality received little encouragement. Now that it is no longer necessary, all methods of getting rid of it are serviceable; and the opinion reported to have been given by Mr. EVARTS adverse to the tax on the point of constitutionality, will tend to influence public sentiment in that direction. The Senate will initiate nothing calculated to lighten the burdens of the people. The House, more familiar with the popular pulse, will, perhaps, act somewhat differently. The Administration certainly cannot afford to keep a tax in existence which would serve to render it unpopular.

The San Domingo Commission is assailed by the Express as "one-sided and partisan." No charge could be more inapplicable. Mere partisanship does not enter into the question. It has, however, two sides, and the personnel of the Commission may be said to represent both. We do not know that Messrs. WHITE and HOWE have any pre-conceived ideas upon the subject. Few men could have been selected less open to the imputation of partizanship, while the personal relations of Dr. HOWE with Mr. SUMNER are a guarantee that the considerations suggested by the Senator will not be weighed in an unfriendly spirit. Mr. WADE is the only politician in the party, and he is certainly not an enemy of Mr. SUMNER. The scientific staff attached to the Commission is composed only of men specially qualified for particular branches of inquiry, without reference to their views upon the general question. And the newspaper correspondents include the representatives of journals avowedly hostile to the policy of annexation. That policy may be right or wrong; but no one can look at the list of persons selected by the Administration for the performance of a difficult task without recognizing the integrity and good judgment that are apparent in the selection.

Gen. BUTLER's resolution providing for a Commission to investigate the manner in which the Government aid has been applied, should not be confined to the Union Pacific Railroad. If there is to be any inquiry, let it embrace all the Pacific roads, and let it be so conducted that the public shall have confidence in its results. The country has no sympathy with vindictive attacks, or with proceedings which wear upon their face an air of unfriendliness toward the promoters and proprietors of great undertakings. The truth is wanted, free from personal bias or exaggeration. And it is wanted in regard to all the railroad enterprises which have profited by the national bounty. The Committee on Appropriations may improve Gen. BUTLER's proposition by widening its scope.

The gas companies are probably powerful enough to defeat any measure interfering with their hold upon their customers. But their ability to extinguish the bill restraining them from exacting from new occupants the sums due for gas used by their predecessors does not impair its justice. That is not the rule which is generally applied to tenants who follow persons indebted to the landlord or the corner grocery: why should it be acted upon for the benefit of a gas company? There would be some reason in holding a landlord responsible for gas supplied in his premises; he might then protect himself against the contingency of loss, while making sure his rent. But it is absurd to say that a family moving into a house, or apartments, shall not be supplied with gas until they have discharged an indebtedness which they did not incur.

While Brooklyn occupies pretty much the same position as New-York, in being liberally robbed by its public boards, it has a slight advantage in regard to the comparative strength of the public sentiment with which the fact is regarded. The Board of Supervisors has for many years been a favorite hatching ground for jobs, but it nevertheless retains one or two honest and independent members. One of these proposed yesterday that a committee of inquiry should be appointed to inspect the accounts of the various executive committees of the past year. Having a perfect knowledge that the accounts of the Almshouse and kindred institutions would furnish revelations no less startling than those recently published in reference to the jail, the Democratic majority of the Board contrived to shuffle out from the imminent exposure, by laying the proposal on the table till next meeting. Should it be finally rejected, the public will arrive at the only conclusion possible under such evasion of responsibility.

Portia's claim on behalf of mercy, that "it blesses him that gives and him that takes," can hardly be said to be applicable to the misdirected leniency that keeps CHAUNCEY JOHNSON, one of the most incorrigible of New-York thieves, out of Sing Sing. It may be true that he is "the only support of his aged mother," but it is equally certain that all the support he has hitherto accorded her has resulted from the proceeds of gambling and robbery, and that the chances are as a hundred to one against his taking up any other vocation were he again released. It would be on the whole cheaper for the State to relieve him of his filial duties, and society of his attentions at the same time, and it would likewise avert the possibility of similar ruffians making opportune discoveries of aged relatives of whom they were the "sole support."

Arrest of a Contraband Cigar Dealer.

Last evening a Spaniard, who subsequently gave his name as JOSE SCOTTO, walked into Col. WHITLEY's head-quarters, at No. 27 Bleecker-street, and inquired for the "Doctor," also having an office in the building. Col. WHITLEY responded to the call, and soon learned that Mr. SCOTTO was a traveling cigar dealer looking for a customer, and that he supposed himself in a doctor's office, instead of a detective's head-quarters. Carefully taking a box of contraband Havana cigars from under his coat, SCOTTO informed the Colonel that he could sell them under the market price, as they were "contraband." As he had 1,000 to dispose of, the detective agreed to take them. In a short time SCOTTO returned, remarking, "Now, you'll take all of them, eh? Just try one, and I'm sure you'll take the lot." "Yes," was the answer, "and we'll take you, too, Mr. SCOTTO." The Spaniard comprehended the situation, and surrendered with a good grace, being sent to Ludlow-street Jail for trial.

WASHINGTON.

Decrease of Judges' Salaries—Revolutions on the Pacific Railroad—Taxes on Dividends—The Supreme Tribunal—Brooks-Hastings Case—The Charges Against Commissioner Fessenden—Report of the San Domingo Report.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The House Committee of the Whole today finally went through the Legislative and Executive Appropriation bill, and reported it to the House. There was a long debate on a motion to increase the salaries of Circuit and District Judges, each $1,000, and it was finally lost. It is now feared that when the amendment made in committee, increasing the salaries of Supreme Court Judges, comes up to-morrow, it may be beaten. A separate vote has been called for on it, and the result today has somewhat weakened the feeling in favor of increasing the salaries of any Judges. With few exceptions the Democrats propose to vote against it.

THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Gen. BUTLER introduced a joint resolution today which points toward an investigation of the affairs of the Union Pacific Railroad. The resolution proposes to authorize the appointment by the President of three Commissioners, to ascertain what disposition has been made of the aid given by the Government to the road. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations. It would seem that the Government, which has a full representation in the Board of Directors of said road, cannot not to be in the dark as to how its money has been used.

DISBARTENED REVOLVER CONTRACTORS.

The Sub-Committee of the Appropriations Committee of the House, appointed to investigate the memorial of Messrs. DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE, whose contract for stamped envelopes was annulled last Fall by Postmaster-General CRESWELL for failure to comply with its terms, had a meeting this morning, and examined Mr. O'TOOLE, Postmaster-General CRESWELL and his assistants, Messrs. MARSHALL & TERRELL. The evidence showed that DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE had no facilities of their own for filling the contract, and that when the 1st of October came, and many millions of the new stamped envelopes were called for by Postmasters in all parts of the country, they were not ready to deliver day, and notified the Department they would not be for thirty days.

TAX ON DIVIDENDS.

Commissioner PLEASONTON's important ruling, today, in regard to the tax upon dividends, reversing the late ruling of the office, and placing the tax upon the same basis so far as regards its collection for the five months from August, 1870, to January, 1871, as the tax upon coupons and interest, will attract attention. The part of section 19 of the act of July last, has afforded room for a double interpretation, but the Senate Finance Committee, at their meeting yesterday, unanimously agreed that it was the intent of Congress to release this tax from dividends for the five months named, the same as was done by the language of the section in regard to the tax upon coupons. Different Collectors have construed the section differently, and in some parts of the country the tax has been paid. It will relieve from $8,000,000 to $9,000,000 in taxes, which would otherwise have been held.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE INCOME TAX.

Judge KELLEY received today copies of an opinion adverse to the constitutionality of the income tax, given by Hon. W. M. EVARTS and SPENCER MILLER, Esq. Mr. KELLEY will lay this opinion before the Committee on Ways and Means, and will ask for the designation of an early day when parties in favor of the repeal of the tax may be heard in that interest. The Committee must report, ere long, in response to the resolution of the House directing an inquiry into the expediency of repeal.

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

The bill for the prevention of cruelty to animals in their transportation upon railroads finally passed the House today by a vote of 102 to 61.

RELATED MERCHANDISE.

Three or four cargoes of goods, among them one cargo of India rubber, arrived in New-York on the afternoon of Dec. 31, last, after the close of business hours, and too late for entry. The question arose whether these goods should come in under the old tariff or under the amended tariff, which took effect Jan. 1, 1871. The Ways and Means Committee agreed to a bill this morning which the House subsequently passed, admitting these cargoes under the new tariff, a status to which the circumstances seemed fully to entitle them.

THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

It is evident that New-York will not allow Philadelphia the centennial Fourth of July celebration without a struggle. Mr. CONKLING today presented in the Senate a memorial on the subject, signed by HORACE GREELEY and other members of the Industrial Institute of New-York. They set forth, among other things, that the Institute began in 1867 to prepare for a similar anniversary to the one proposed in the House bill for Philadelphia.

STEAM-SHIP SUBSIDY BILLS.

Mr. RAMSEY will call up, on Thursday next, the Steam-ship Subsidy bills reported by the Postal Committee.

THE OHIO SOLDIERS' HOME.

After the morning hour the Senate adopted the bill ceding back the jurisdiction to the grounds of the Soldiers' Home in Ohio to that State. It was opposed, as failing to secure the desired object of giving the inmates of the home a right to vote in Ohio, by CARPENTER, CONKLING, WILLIAMS and others, but on division the vote was 25 to 11 in favor of concurring with the House in its passage.

REFUNDING INTEREST TO STATES.

On motion of Mr. MORTON, a bill for refunding the interest and discount to States on money borrowed by them for war purposes was taken up, but no vote was reached.

DRAWBACK ON SPIRITS.

The Senate Finance Committee had before it today the subject of permitting a drawback of taxes on spirits manufactured for export. A statement from the Revenue Office shows that the number of distilleries has decreased during the year. It is the opinion of the Commissioner that payments of rebatement can be arranged so as to protect the Government against fraud. The Committee came to no decision.

MISSOURI APPOINTEES.

The name of Mr. DRUMMOND has not yet been before the Senate for action, but is expected to be reported from the Committee, charged with examining the case at an early day, and be one doubtless speedy confirmation. The contest threatened over the confirmation of the Missouri officers, nominated in place of those removed during the Fall campaign, it is believed has been avoided. Republicans are not without hope of a complete union of the discordant elements of the party in that State. Senator SCHURZ is represented as saying that if the Republicans will now act together they can elect the successor to Mr. DRAKE

response to a request to be sworn, Mr. HASTINGS set up a plea against the jurisdiction of the Committee, substantially the same as set forth in the memorial presented yesterday. The Committee immediately disposed of this by deciding that the charges were properly cognizable by the Committee under the resolution of the House, which had directed it to investigate them. Mr. HASTINGS then submitted a protest against further proceedings, on the ground that suits had been instituted by him against BROOKS for libel, and BROOKS had threatened him with suit, and he therefore objected to any proceedings by order of the House which would compel him to make a premature disclosure of the facts in the case, of which Mr. BROOKS might take advantage to his great detriment. He also stated that an examination of the resolution directing an investigation revealed no knowledge of the character of the charges he was called upon to substantiate. In view of these facts he declined further to be a party to the proceedings, and respectfully declined to answer. The Committee then adjourned until 4 o'clock, to consider what further action to take. At the latter meeting it was agreed in substance to report to the House—probably to-morrow—that the accuser, Mr. HASTINGS, having invited an investigation, and having been given an opportunity to substantiate his charges, and having failed or refused so to do, and there being no evidence to sustain the allegations, the Committee therefore recommends that the House, so far as it is concerned, declare Mr. BROOKS exonerated from the charges, and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject. Thus the whole thing will probably end in smoke.

THE VENEZUELA CLAIMS.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations today continued the consideration of the Venezuela claims, but arrived at no conclusion.

CHARGES AGAINST COMMISSIONER PARKER.

The Subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations appointed to investigate the charges of Mr. WILLIAM WELSH against Commissioner PARKER, of the Indian Bureau, held their first meeting to-night, with Mr. SAUNDERS in the chair. There was a large attendance of witnesses, among whom were several members of the Indian Commission. Commissioner PARKER, who has been sick for some days past, was represented by his counsel, Gen. CHIPMAN. The first subject taken up was the matter of the Quapaw payments; and Mr. WILLIAMSON and Mr. JOCKY, clerks in the Interior Department, who made the payments, were examined; also JOHN D. LONG, Esq., of the Indian Commission, and Mr. EDMUND EARLE, of the Society of Friends, were examined as to the mode of payments. It is alleged that $30,000 of the appropriation for the Quapaws was improperly paid to Gen. BLUNT, of Kansas, for lobbying through the whole appropriation. The alleged corrupt contracts matter was then taken up, and Mr. COLLYER, Secretary, and Mr. BRUNT, Chairman of the Indian Commission, and Messrs. SANFORD and TAPPAN, members of the Peace Commission of 1867, were all examined. Ex-Secretary COX and Gen. BLUNT have been summoned, but it is somewhat doubtful if the former appears. Gen. SHERMAN will be examined to-morrow.

SAN DOMINGO INFORMATION.

The answer of Secretary FISH to Mr. SUMNER's resolutions, calling for information on the subject of San Domingo annexation, attracts much attention here. Its fullness and its historical value are surprising as well as gratifying. It is the first clear and succinct history of the subject which has been given, and the documents which accompany the letter would occupy ten times the space of the letter itself.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

OPERATIONS OF WRECKERS.

Special Treasury Agent WICKER has written a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury, from Key West, inclosing a copy of a communication from United States Marshal ALLEN, addressed to Senators OSBORN and GILBERT, relative to reckless and unlawful acts of wreckers and others in cases of vessels stranded or wrecked on the Florida coast, and suggesting additional legislation, with a view to remedying the evils of which complaint is made. The Marshal refers especially to cases of vessels wrecked on that coast in October last, and to the plundering and burning of Spanish and British vessels lost at that time, and to the willful concealment and appropriation of property derelict in violation of law and usage on that subject. There is no present law that will meet the illegal practices, and the Marshal states that great complaint is made by the Consuls of the countries to which the vessels belong of the practices to which reference is made.

FREE MAIL MATTER.

The Postmaster-General has communicated to the Senate a statement in relation to free matter passing through the mails. It appears that in December, 1869, each Postmaster was instructed to take an accurate monthly account of all franked or free matter deposited at their respective offices for mailing for the period of six months, commencing Jan. 1, and ending June 30, 1870. The total number of offices from which reports were due was 28,462, but the number from which full or partial reports were received was only 6,825, nearly 20,000 wholly failing to report. The returns of the 6,825 reporting offices show that within the six months there were transmitted 5,140,796 franked letters, the postage upon which at the established rate amounted to $622,549, and 2,047,971 pounds of other franked matter, such as printed documents and seeds, upon which the postage at established rates amounted to $230,[illegible], making altogether for six months for postage on free matter, the sum of $918,[illegible]. At a fair rate of estimate for the nearly 20,000 non-reporting Post-offices, the Post-master-General says the following grand results is shown: Total number of franked letters for six months, 10,284,492; postage, $623,070; printed matter, &c., 9,455,196 pounds; postage, $[illegible] 55; total postage for six months, $1,371,[illegible]; total for one year, 2,542,227 72.

A SECOND SAULSBURY FOR THE SENATE.

A dispatch from Dover, Del., says that Gov. ALI SAULSBURY, brother of the present Senator, was nominated in caucus last night for United States Senator.

APPLICATIONS FOR PENSION.

Representative MORGAN, of Ohio, a member of the Military Committee, has prepared a bill, which the Committee has authorized him to report to the House, repealing the proviso of the sixth section of the Act of 1868, which limits the application for a pension within five years from the time of wounds, death or any other cause. It appears that in many cases persons entitled to pensions have failed to receive them by reason of their ignorance of the above limitation.

AN ARGUMENT ON COMMERCIAL INTERESTS.

JOHN C. HOFFIE, of New-York City, appeared before the Senate Committee on Finance this morning and delivered an argument on American and British interests. He read a letter from the British Minister addressed to Messrs. HUNT and TILLINGHAST, of New-York, showing the manner in which British manufacturers are protected by the tariff on the raw wools, and the mode by which they seek to obtain important information from our American manufacturers to use for their own advantage, and to the detriment of our American manufacturers at home.

MRS. GRANT'S RECEPTION.

Mrs. GRANT'S second reception this afternoon was more largely attended than any that has heretofore been held.

INSTRUCTIONS OF MINISTER SCHENCK.

The instructions of Minister SCHENCK have not yet been written. It is understood that in addition to those on the *Alabama* claims he will receive instructions with a view to a settlement of the Canada fishery question. The General was present at the Cabinet meeting today by special invitation.

RULING OF COMMISSIONER PLEASONTON.

Commissioner PLEASONTON writes to Supervisor DUTCHER that upon careful consideration of the question, he is of opinion that sections 15 and 16 of the act of July 14, 1870, do not authorize the levying and collection of a dividend tax upon the dividends of the corporations therein enumerated which have been declared within the five months ending Dec. 31, 1870, where assessments of such tax have been made upon the dividends specified, but the same have not been passed to the Collector; they should be struck from the lists. Where assessments of the tax have been made and been passed to the Collector, and the lists containing the same been receipted for by him, he should assist in the preparation of the proper claims of abatement or refunding according as the tax has or has not been paid. All previous rulings of Internal Revenue inconsistent with the above are revoked.

REVENUE OFFICER SUSPENDED.

Supervisor HUNT reports he has suspended EUGENE HURST, Collector of the Sixth District of Tennessee, for fraud and neglect of duty. He reports that the Government will lose nothing. Deputy Collector THOMAS has been placed in charge of the office.

MODIFICATION OF THE TEST OATH.

The Reconstruction Committee this morning appointed Messrs. POMEROY, MORGAN, and URSOM, as a sub-committee to consider the proposed modification of the test or iron-clad oath, so as to allow it to be taken by persons who entered the Confederate service while minors.

THE SHIPPING INTERESTS.

Representative WELLS today, in behalf of the Special Committee on the causes of the decline of American commerce and the remedies therefor, made a report on the New-Orleans and the Gulf of Mexico Steam-ship line, saying:

"The Committee have recommended the granting of Government aid by way of postages on mail and by subsidies, so as to insure the establishment of lines of American ocean steamers to foreign ports, thus securing to our people the profits of the trade so created. On view of this recommendation the Committee believe that the proposed establishment of a line of steamers between the port of New-Orleans and the Gulf ports of the Republic of Mexico, must not only result in a vast increase of commerce, but as a direct and necessary step to the cultivation of those friendly political relations that should exhaust between ourselves and a sister Republic, and necessary to the maintenance of our power and control on this continent."

NOMINATION.

The following nomination was sent to the Senate today: JOHN PIERCE, to be Collector of Customs at Buffalo, N. Y.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate, in Executive Session today, confirmed the following nominations:

NATHANIEL K. SARGENT, to be Collector of Customs for the District of Kennebec, Me.

Brev. Maj.-Gen. R. SIDNEY, at Brazil, Ind.; John Walker Autrey, Ind.; Philip E. Enckel, Beaufort, S. C.; Samuel H. Fairchild, Danville, Ill.; John G. Leach, Alton, Ill.; Mrs. Martha T. Gordon, Coatsville, Penn.; Samuel R. Atwell, Winchester, Va.; R. A. Moore, Bryan, Texas; J. H. Bardwell, East Hampton, Mass.

OBITUARY.

Joseph Claessen.

Mr. JOSEPH CLAESSEN, a prominent member of the Liederkranz Society, well known in the community of German vocalists in this City, died on Monday, after a brief illness. He was born in 1813, at Zulich, in Rhenish Prussia, and had resided in this City since 1848. He was one of the founders of the Liederkranz twenty-five years ago, and until lately its representative at the conventions of the North-eastern Saengerbund. The deceased, himself an excellent vocalist, was always an active promoter of the musical fêtes and reunions of the German vocal organizations, and always took a zealous part in the Saengerfestivals held in Eastern and Western cities. The funeral will take place from Liederkranz Hall today, and will, no doubt, be attended by a large concourse of German vocalists.

Gen. Neill's Alleged Contempt Toward Judge McCunn—The Case Removed to the United States Court on a Writ from Judge Blatchford.

Lieut. ASA B. GARDNER, special military advocate, obtained a writ of habeas corpus, yesterday, directed to Sheriff MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, for the production of Gen. THOMAS H. NEILL, Commandant at Fort Columbus, Governor's Island, before Judge BLATCHFORD, of the United States District Court. A writ of attachment was issued against Gen. NEILL by Judge MCCUNN, of the Superior Court, for his refusal to comply with a writ to bring before the latter Court a private soldier under his command, named JOHN CASEY, whose discharge from the army was sought, on the ground that he enlisted while a minor. A return was made to the State writ of habeas corpus by Major BELDEN, on behalf of Gen. NEILL, in which depositions given by Judges CLERKE, INGRAHAM, JOHNSON and others, to show that the State authorities had no power to discharge enlisted Federal soldiers, were cited, and in which it was claimed that the question rested wholly with the United States Courts. The return was thrown aside by Judge MCCUNN, who issued a writ of attachment against Gen. NEILL for alleged contempt of Court. Yesterday, Gen. NEILL consented, by advice of counsel, to submit to a constructive arrest, and to remain in the friendly custody of Under Sheriff JUDSON JARVIS, the officer detailed to attend the writ. Gen. NEILL, instead of holding the latter up at Governor's Island as an intruder, Judge BLATCHFORD's writ was subsequently issued, and was promptly responded to by Sheriff BRENNAN, who attended the United States District Court in company with Gen. NEILL. Mr. SMITH, counsel for the Sheriff, presented a return to the effect that the prisoner, Gen. NEILL, was in custody by virtue of a writ issued by Judge MCCUNN. District-Attorney DAVIS and Lieut. GARDNER, counsel for the relator, Gen. NEILL, traversed the return, and held that the matter was without the jurisdiction of the State Courts, and also that Judge MCCUNN had acted in an illegal manner. The case was then adjourned until Saturday, which day was named for the hearing of testimony and arguments as to the question of jurisdiction.

Sale of the Shiloh Presbyterian Church Property Resolved Upon.

In pursuance of a formal notice read in Shiloh Presbyterian Church, (colored) corner of Prince and Marion streets, on the past two Sundays of the present month, a meeting of the congregation took place last evening in the lecture-room of the Church, to consider the propriety of selling the present church property and purchasing further up town. There were present of the congregation entitled to vote about fifty women and perhaps fifteen men. Rev. H. H. GARNETT, the pastor, was elected to preside, and Mr. WILLIAM TITUS to act as Secretary. The chair stated the object of the meeting, and gave as a reason for the movement that whereas the present edifice was quite central to the congregation when first purchased twenty years ago, it had now become very inconveniently located for a majority of those who are still members. The greater portion of the members, and indeed of the better class of colored people, he said, had got located on the west side above Fourteenth-street, and in this neighborhood it was deemed advisable to locate or purchase another church edifice. A resolution was therefore offered and carried unanimously to the effect that the members and pew-holders of the church, authorize and empower the trustees to sell the present church property, and purchase a church edifice and site with parsonage with the proceeds, in such location as their judgment shall approve. It was also resolved that Rev. H. H. GARNETT, WILLIAM TITUS and WILLIAM L. THOMPSON be appointed Commissioners to select a new church edifice or site, and that Rev. Dr. BURCHARD and Hon. WILLIAM E. DODGE be invited to cooperate with them as representatives of the Presbytery of New-York. Although no price was fixed on the property in the resolution authorizing the sale, yet it was generally agreed that the property ought to realize for business purposes in that location, from $70,000 to $80,000. The meeting was entirely harmonious throughout, and the resolutions were passed without a dissenting vote.

Trustees of the College of the City of New-York—Reorganization.

A meeting of the Trustees of the College of the City of New-York was held at 4 P. M. yesterday. Mr. WOOD was called to the chair.

Mr. SANDS moved that Mr. BERNARD SMITH be elected President of the Board for 1871, and the motion was adopted.

Mr. SMITH returned thanks for the honor done him, and said that he believed whatever doubts might once have been expressed of the propriety and expediency of continuing the College, he believed there were none now.

Under the able management of Gen. WEBB, its accomplished President, it had become a live institution, and the public now favor it, almost without exception. Wherever he went he found graduates of the College, and among them men eminent at the Bar, in the medical profession, in the pulpit and in the halls of legislation. Its students had now so increased in number that it had been found necessary to erect additional accommodation.

The Controller was requested to place $50,000 to the credit of the Board.

A statement of the receipts and expenditures on the account of the College was read as follows:

Balance from last year	$20,791 44
Fund for the year	135,000 00
Total receipts	$155,791 44
Expenditures	147,151 26
Balance on hand	$8,640 18

Of the expenditures, $14,500 were for the erection of a new building for the introductory classes, and $107,033 77 for salaries of Professors.

The members of the Executive Committee were reappointed as follows: Gross, Sherwood, Duryea, Collyer, Brennan, Sands, and Jarvis.

The Board then adjourned.

ALBANY.

Several Important Measures Introduced in the Legislature.

The Ring Preparing to Control the Tax Levies—Rapid Transit Through and Around This City—A Blow at the Gas Companies—Theatre Tickets and Reserved Seats.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1871.

Mr. TWEED today responded to the recommendation of the Governor with regard to an early introduction of the New-York City Tax Levy, by introducing a bill to take the Tax Levy out of the impure atmosphere of the Legislature and transfer it to the Tammany Ring. The bill provides that Mayor HALL, Controller CONNOLLY, Wm. M. TWEED and PETER B. SWEENY shall constitute a Board of Appointment, which shall meet within twenty days from the 1st of June, and after setting apart a fund sufficient to pay the interest on the bonds and stocks of the City, shall apportion the remainder of the money raised by taxation among the various departments of the City and County Government. The bill also provides that the total amount to be raised by taxation shall not exceed two per cent. for the years 1871 and 1872. There is nothing, however, to prevent raising the valuation of property in order to keep the taxes at two per cent. The Board of Apportionment is to have power to transfer appropriations from one department to another in case there shall prove to be an excess in one and a deficiency in another. All the Departments are prohibited from incurring any liability beyond the amount appropriated to them by the Board, and if any such liability is incurred the City shall not be responsible for its payment. No judgment against the City shall be entered up except on the verdict of a jury, and none shall be paid unless there be an appropriation therefor. It will thus be seen that all the items of the Tax Levy are to be intrusted to the Ring, with the single drawback that the total expenditures shall not exceed an annual tax of two per cent. This can be easily increased to four per cent., however, by doubling the valuation of property. It gives to the "Ring" a still more absolute control over every Department of the City Government, and enables them to manipulate the City funds in such a manner that, when a million dollars is needed for political purposes, it can be made available. The single good feature of the bill is that it will prevent the practice of smuggling into the Tax Levy general laws affecting the City Government, like that of last year abolishing the office of Controller as an elective office.

DONATIONS TO RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

Senator WOODIN introduced a concurrent resolution—the same one offered by him last year—providing for an amendment to the Constitution of the State which shall prohibit the Legislature or municipal governments from donating moneys out of the public treasury to religious societies or sectarian schools.

RAPID TRANSIT FOR NEW-YORK CITY.

A bill has been sent to Senator TWEED, which he will introduce to-morrow, incorporating a rapid transit company for New-York City, which shall have power to organize a system of cheap cabs and steamboats for the conveyance of passengers to various parts of the city. The steam-boats are to run around both sides of the city, landing passengers at different points, from which cabs are to be in waiting to carry them to their destination. A similar company was incorporated two or three years ago, but, like the under-ground railroad charters, it failed to induce capitalists to invest in the enterprise.

CURBING THE GAS COMPANIES.

DENIS BURNS introduced a bill in the Assembly restraining the privileges of those odious monopolies, the City Gas Companies. It prohibits the companies from saddling tenants with the unpaid bills of preceding occupants of the premises; limits the price of gas to $3.50 per one thousand feet in all companies manufacturing over one million feet; prevents them from demanding deposits larger than the probable amount of gas to be consumed in sixteen days, and compels the companies to pay seven per cent. interest quarterly on all sums deposited. BURNS tried to hurry the bill to a third reading today, but a Brooklyn member objected, because that city was not included, and the bill went to the Committee on Cities. There it will probably rest, for the gas companies, like the railroads, have heretofore shown themselves able to kill any bill inimical to their interests, however much the interests of the public might require its passage.

ABOUT THEATRE TICKETS.

JOHN HAYES, member from the Third District of New-York, will to-morrow introduce a bill preventing managers of theatres or other places of amusement in New-York City, under a penalty of not less than $250, from selling more than ten tickets to any one person for a single performance, and forbidding them to reserve seats not actually sold, under a like penalty. It also provides that any person purchasing a ticket who shall not be furnished with a seat, shall have a right to demand a return of his money.

THE CAPITAL COMMISSION.

The annual report of the Capital Commissioners gives satisfactory details of the expenditures up to the present time; states that the most expensive part of the job is completed; that the estimated cost of the building is not likely to be exceeded, and asks for a further appropriation of $1,000,000. It is said that an attempt will be made to change the *personnel* of the Commission, which now consists of four Republicans and four Democrats. The Democrats want a majority of the Commission, so they can have control of the job.

TWOMBLY VS. CASEY.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections met again this morning but took no action. They still refuse to grant Mr. TWOMBLY's request for a subpœna to get testimony as to the vote of the district which was thrown out by the Board of Supervisors, but promise to give him an answer to-morrow morning. It is well understood that the Democracy have determined in advance not to give TWOMBLY his seat, whatever may be the facts proved, and the only question now is whether they shall add to the outrage of counting him out by the still further outrage of refusing him a chance to prove his title to the seat. S.

SENATE....ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 17.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. HARDENBURG—To provide redress for words imputing unchastity to a female, married or single, and allowing a married woman to sue in her own name.

By Mr. WOOD—Incorporating the Mariners' Savings Bank of New-York; also amending the charter of the Leonard Bank of New-York, which provides that it shall not be a bank of issue, and makes regulations for its government.

By Mr. PIERCE—To repair certain wharves and piers in the First Ward of Brooklyn.

By Mr. CAULDWELL—Chartering the Morrisania Savings Bank.

By Mr. HARDENBURG—Providing for docketing in lieu of judgments in mortgage foreclosures; also, providing that contractors on railroads shall pay for labor every thirty days.

By Mr. GERRY—To extend Lexington-avenue, New-York, from Ninety-seventh-street to One Hundred and Second-street.

By Mr. TWEED—Making provision for the local government of the City of New-York; providing that the tax levied for 1871 and 1872 shall not exceed in each of those years a sum equal to two per cent. upon the value of real and personal estates. The bill also constitutes the Mayor, Controller, Commissioner of Public Works and the President of the Department of Parks a Board of Estimate to prepare the Tax Levies, empowering them to act also on corporation advertising, and to transfer the appropriations from one account to another. The levy is not to be submitted to the Legislature as heretofore.

SECTARIAN SCHOOLS.

Mr. WOODIN offered a resolution to amend the Constitution so that moneys shall not hereafter be paid out of the State Treasury for the maintenance of sectarian or religious schools. Tabled under the rules.

BILLS PASSED.

The following bills were passed:

To improve the Sixth and Tenth avenues, New-York; to confirm the title of certain persons to real estate, questioned by reason of the alienage of former owners; to prevent the opening of streets or roads through the grounds of St. John's College, in West Farms.

THE PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

The Senate, in Committee, took up the law to amend the act to revise and consolidate acts relating to public institutions, and, after debate, reported progress.

The Senate then adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

WHARFAGE IN NEW-YORK AND KINGS COUNTIES.

A large number of petitions were presented for an amendment to the act relative to wharfage in New-York and Kings, so that grain-elevators shall pay wharfage but once a day, no matter how often they may change their position or anchorage.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. GERRIE—Amending the law exempting ministers of the gospel from taxation.

By Mr. BARNATT—Authorizing the appointment of Commissioners in Cincinnati to loan United States deposit funds.

By Mr. WADE—Amending the act authorizing Circuit Courts and Courts of Oyer and Terminer to require the attendance of additional jurors.

By Mr. JACOBS—Relative to Savings Banks. Also, to repeal the new tolls in the Highway act. Also, extending the jurisdiction of notaries in New-York and Kings.

By Mr. MOSHER—Relative to insurance companies.

By Mr. BURNS—To prohibit gas companies in New-York from requiring new consumers to pay the debts of old ones. [Mr. BURNS said it was the practice in New-York for gas companies, when a gas consumer moved away leaving his bill unpaid, to require the new comer to pay the bill before he could obtain gas; and he asks that it now have its third reading. Mr. MOSHER objected, and the bill was referred.]

By Mr. FLEMING—Chartering the German Mutual Savings Bank, of New-York.

By Mr. FORD—Chartering the Citizens' Gas Company, of Syracuse.

By Mr. PRINCE—Chartering the Flushing Water Company.

By Mr. OAKLEY—Amending the charter of the Brooklyn and Jamaica Railroad Company.

By Mr. WATERBURY—Amending the Rensselaer County Act relative to making contracts.

By Mr. BIGELOW—Providing for the completion of the Champlain Canal.

By Mr. IRVIN—To prohibit the collection of tolls on any public highway in Kings County.

By Mr. SHEPARDSON—To facilitate the construction of the Midland Railroad.

By Mr. LITTLEJOHN—To facilitate the construction of the Lake Ontario Shore Railroad.

By Mr. MURPHY—To incorporate the Montauk tribe of Indians.

THE ANTIETAM MONUMENT.

The Governor sent in a report from the Commissioners of the Antietam Cemetery, asking for a further appropriation from this State toward the erection of a monument.

Adjourned.

BALLS LAST NIGHT.

The Knights of St. Patrick.

The first ball ever given by the Knights of St. Patrick came off last evening at the Academy of Music, and was an entire success. The Knights have heretofore had no entertainments of this character, confining their festivities to the annual dinner on St. Patrick's Day; but the ladies have been so persistent in their demands that they should be represented on some public occasion, that the Knights were compelled in self-defense to project this ball. The arrangements were excellent, and were carried out to the entire satisfaction of the numerous company assembled. Among the guests were Collector MURPHY, Mayor HALL, Hon. RICHARD O'GORMAN, Ben. HARD CASSERLY and the heads of the various City Departments. The auditorium was floored over for the occasion, and among the decorations were the words "Knights of St. Patrick," skillfully arranged in gas jets on the stage, while on either side were the sunburst and flag, the State coat-of-arms and the Irish harp. Two bands, under the leadership of Mr. GRAFULLA, furnished the music, and the dancing was kept up until a late hour. The following are the names of the Committees having the ball in charge:

RECEPTION COMMITTEE.—John H. Harnett, Chairman; James Mitchell, P. Cuff, M. J. Power, W. E. Robinson, H. Hughes, Bernard Reilly, Wm. L. Cole, Ignatius Flynn, Owen Murphy, W. F. Lyons, Wm. Purcell, M. D., Dennis Quinn, A. S. Sullivan, John H. McCann, John J. Mackin, D. Connolly, John Burke, Wm. J. Kane, Hugh Farrigan, W. H. Shields, James Oliver, John Boyle.

FLOOR COMMITTEE.—Jas. J. Traynor, Chairman; Ed. J. Shandley, Jesse K. Furlong, Jos. M. Dunne, John Flannigan, John Purcell, John Tucker, Thomas M. Smith, P. F. Ferrigan, John Sheals, John F. Clarke, E. V. Harnett, John Dwyer, Jas. T. Nagle, M. D., L. J. Fitzgerald, Frank McElroy, M. L. Murphy, Thos. N. Dwyer, John Coonan, Richard Dalton, Francis O'Ryan.

POLICE COMMITTEE.—P. H. McDonough, Chairman; John Brosnan, R. G. McGwyny, Peter Warren, P. O'Connor, Thos. McFadden, Hugh Bleson, F. J. Dunn, Cornelius Fancy, Martin Brown, Farrell Dowling, Timothy Wallace, John Eagan, Jas. Crowley, Jas. McLaughlan, Tuos. E. Smith, John R. Hennesy, Patrick Moore, Richard O'Brien.

The John J. Blair Association.

A ball was given at Irving Hall last evening by the friends of JOHN J. BLAIR, a somewhat prominent Democratic politician, which was largely attended. Dancing was kept up until a late hour, and the entertainment closed in the manner usual to such affairs. From each guest, as he entered, seventy-five cents were demanded on behalf of and for the benefit of the person who had hired the hat-room for the hall. The guests who submitted to the impositions were permitted to pass into the ball-room; those who refused to pay the assessment were allowed to leave.

Another Day of the Lunatic Trial—Signs of a Coming Retreat—Who's Afraid?

The Methodist Book Committee sat all day yesterday with closed doors. A Sub-committee which had been appointed on the previous evening retired to consult with the Bishops and counsel in regard to the closing of the investigation, proposed by Gen. COORE, and the reference of the entire subject to the General Conference of 1872.

The Bishops still maintain the position assumed by them on the second day, when their paper was presented—namely, that the Committee cannot investigate as to Dr. LANAHAN's morals or manners, and can only deal with his official conduct. They are strongly in favor of adjourning the case over to the General Conference, which has full powers to investigate the moral as well as the official conduct of its servants. It was understood that the defendant has urged to make certain concessions, in order that the matter might be settled amicably and without further disagreeable measures, but this is believed to have been refused, and the doctor still holds out.

After an hour's session or more, the Sub-committee presented a written report, when a lively debate ensued, in which Gen. MOORE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PIRE, and other members of the Committee participated. Gen. MOORE favored, as he had done before, the immediate adjournment of the case, and Mr. KENNEDY opposed. Those in favor of proceeding with the trial contended that they had a right to investigate so much of the agent's morals as affected his official conduct, and if they should stop here it would look like a virtual acknowledgment that frauds and corruption had existed and do exist in the Book Concern. From the position of members of the Committee on this question it looked as if, if they should proceed, they should be for continuing and 8 for adjournment. This fact is significant, when it is remembered that this was precisely the vote by which the reporters were admitted, and unless somebody is "converted" the same vote will clear Dr. LANAHAN in the end. It was not brought to a vote, however, at the time of adjournment, and at 9½ A. M., today, the Committee will sit again with closed doors.

A Charge of False Pretenses Against a Country Merchant.

CHARLES V. TIFFANY, a resident of Dansville, Livingston County, N. Y., was arrested at that place on Sunday by Roundsman BARRETT, with a warrant issued by Justice HOGAN, on a complaint of false pretenses made by JOHN N. REED, of the firm of BARTLETT, REED & CO., No. 410 Broadway. It appears that in April last TIFFANY called on Mr. REED and represented himself as worth $7,000 over and above his liabilities, and as doing an excellent business. The firm delivered to the accused goods on credit to the amount of $2,948, only to subsequently discover that TIFFANY had a few months previous confessed judgment to his father-in-law in the sum of $2,510, and that the Sheriff had seized his store. It was also found that the total liabilities of TIFFANY amounted to $16,000, and that he never had more than $1,500 worth of stock. As the officer found that a writ of habeas corpus was to be issued in Livingston County, he took his prisoner to Blood Station on the Corning and Rochester Railroad, and so left the country. When the accused was arraigned before Justice HOGAN, yesterday, he was remanded for examination, to take place today. PHILIP S. TAGGART, of No. 443 Broadway, is also a loser by TIFFANY to the amount of $2,000, as the prisoner made identical representations to him. Two or three other Broadway firms have likewise been swindled by TIFFANY, who will probably be compelled to face all of his victims today.

Departure of the Commissioners for San Domingo.

The Commissioners appointed by the President to visit San Domingo took their departure from the Astor House yesterday morning, and were accompanied down the Bay on the tug by a few personal friends. The Revenue cutter left the barge office about 10 o'clock, having on board Deputy Collector JAMES M. TERWILLIGER, Surveyor CORNELL, and a few guests equally distinguished, and, proceeding to the Tenneras, assisted in the interesting ceremonies of bidding farewell to gentlemen destined to take such a prominent place in history as are the gentlemen composing this Commission. The frigate got under way about 12¾ o'clock, taking with her all the gentlemen whose names were mentioned in the TIMES of yesterday as Commissioners, and their attachés, and the Revenue cutter and the tug returned to the City.

While proceeding down the harbor the Commission met and organized. They resolved to proceed directly to San Domingo City, touching at the Bay of Samana only, if the Captain should think it advisable. Their reason for going to the capital first is to show a proper respect for the authorities of the country.

A WAITING THIEF.

Why Chauncey Johnson Stays in the Tombs.

Many thieves of various grades are in the Tombs waiting the ending of the law's delays before they can step forth again freemen by virtue of some friendly quibble, or, in default of such help, exchange their cells for the more doleful dungeons of Sing Sing. None among them all is more desperate in character or more dangerous to the community than CHAUNCEY JOHNSON, sneak-thief and burglar of twenty years' standing, "remanded for sentence" on his last and one of his boldest exploits, the attempted abstraction of a package of money from the safe of the Fifth-avenue Hotel when the office where it stood was crowded with the employes of the house. It will be remembered that the darling outlaw on that occasion very nearly escaped with his booty, but being detected and captured in the act, it was impossible for him to deny his crime, and a protracted term in Sing Sing has ever since that night stared him in the face. The law and the facts being dead against him, it is said he has sought refuge in the sympathies of his Judges with such effect that sentence has been suspended in his case, because he is the only support of his aged mother. If this plea should open his prison doors, he is certain to return to his old ways, as he is too old a dog to learn new tricks, and society must suffer again from his depredations.

CHAUNCEY JOHNSON is one of the best known of the outlaws of New-York, and owes that preeminence in vice partly to the great daring he has always exhibited, partly to the ill-luck which has often placed him in the clutches of the law, and partly to the weakness and recklessness of his operations in faro. Years ago he was concerned in a great burglary in Church-street, for which he suffered a term of imprisonment. For a sneak robbery in Philadelphia he endured another term in the rigid prisons of Pennsylvania, and for a like offence in the City soon afterward, he again did the State some service. His greatest operation was the great sneak robbery of $38,000 in Wall-street some years ago, and that crime more than all his other offenses combined, gave him his notoriety. But to the detectives generally he is better known as a gambler of nerve than as a robber of skill and pluck. It is said of him that he once won $40,000 at a single sitting, but lost it all again as rapidly as it had been gained, as is usually the case. The bad fortune which, as a rule has attended his predatory exploits has waited upon his gambling efforts, so that he is very as poor as ever, despite his years of vicious industry in thieving and fighting the tiger. Courage and clumsiness in both pursuits have left him in his old age with his nest still unfeathered, and with no resource to escape from his present jeopardy than to appeal for an opportunity to perform a final duty he has never performed except at the expense of the community and by the violation of the law.

A Sad Story of New-York Life.

From the Evening Post, Jan. 17.

Here is a story of the saddest side of New-York life.

Not many days ago there was a fashionable marriage in one of our up-town churches. The bridegroom was a remarkably handsome man, of nearly thirty years of age, well known in what is called fashionable society as an agreeable, liberal bachelor and "ladies' man." The bride was a lovely girl, belonging to one of our best-known families, and esteemed for her character as much as admired for her beauty. The friends of both were present; and nothing surprising occurred at the ceremony, save that all present remarked upon the appearance of the bridegroom. He was apparently so oppressed by some great sorrow or anxiety that he could not smile nor command a cheerful word.

The pair had been but a week together when their husband, after an interview with his young wife, which left her almost crushed in mind, hastily called at his late bachelor rooms, which he had not yet given up, turned a large number of papers, packed up a few precious articles, and suddenly disappeared; and no one of his friends now knows where he is to be found. But one sad, dreadful truth reached their ears too quickly. At one of our new hotels in the centre of the City, but a few blocks from the church in which the marriage was performed, there were found a woman and several children bearing his name, and she found no difficulty in establishing her right to be called his wife. The children, she said, were married when he was scarcely more than a boy, and have never published the marriage; but they never quarrelled nor separated. He still supported her and visited her; and on the very day of the second marriage, at noon, he made her a long visit in his apartments.

This event has been a sudden shock to both families, and the absolute concealment of his marriage from all his friends for many years, while his wife and children openly bore his name in public hotels in this City, is as unaccountable to them as it will be to the public. The young man was for several years an internal revenue officer in this City, but for some years past has been employed in a bank down-town. He has paid $2,000 a year for the board of his wife and children, while receiving a salary of only $1,000 a year. Yet, notwithstanding this, he lived with lavish expenditure. In his rooms are said to have lain not far from a hundred suits of clothes, with expensive books, and many other evidences of wealth. But his accounts at the bank are said to be entirely correct. His full understanding of what he was doing appears from his letter to his wife, prior to the use of a pistol, with the fixed purpose, as he afterward said, of blowing out his brains there if the ceremony should be interfered with.

We draw no moral from these facts. But the very shock they give to all who know of them, is a proof that crimes of this kind are comparatively exceptional in our community, and that the standard of morals here is not so low as some writers have said, who appeal to such cases as these for illustrations of New-York society, instead of what they really are, frightful and exceptional outrages upon it.

Personal.

Congressman William H. Barnum, of Connecticut; Hon. James M. Scoville, of New-Jersey, and Hon. H. M. Chittle, of Ohio, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Gen. Gorloff, of Russia, is at the Hoffman House. Hon. Chauncey Cook, of Boston; Hon. Charles T. Wealley, of Cincinnati; Major J. M. Brown, of the United States Army; J. A. Emery, of Portland, and F. W. Vosburgh, of Albany, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel. Gen. J. Garrard, of Cincinnati, and Gen. G. M. Atwater, of Springfield, are at the St. James Hotel. Gen. T. Hammond, of the United States Army; Judge Bailey, of Utica, and Hon. S. K. Williams, of Wayne County, New-York, are at the Metropolitan Hotel. Hon. Robert Guyer, of Cincinnati; Hon. C. G. Wightman, of Connecticut, and G. G. Merritt, of California, are at the Astor House.

The Home Insurance Company—Power of the Connecticut Department.

The following communication, received in this City yesterday, is of importance to those interested in insurance:

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,
STATE OF CONNECTICUT,
NEW-HAVEN, Jan. 14, 1871.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Please give me the privilege of answering a large number of letters, by informing the public that the Insurance Department of Connecticut has no oversight or authority over local Insurance Companies. The duties and powers of the Commissioner are confined by law to the examination of such Companies from other States as seek admission into this State to do business. This Department, therefore, is in no manner responsible for the management and condition of the Home Insurance Company of New-Haven, although, about one year ago, as a favor to them, their book balances and stocks, bonds, mortgages, loans, certificates, &c., were examined, to show that they agreed with their statement as Albany; and did agree, except that a subsequent loan of about $60,000 had been made on certain bonds after Jan. 1, to pay losses.

BENJAMIN NOYES,
Commissioner of Insurance.

WHITMAN'S Jujube is now the standard remedy for singers, public speakers, and all persons having affections of the throat. Sold at Hudnut's, Herald Building; Caswell, Hazard & Co., 5th-av. and 26th-st., Dilman & Co.'s, Astor House, and all leading druggists.—*Advertisement.*

DR. SAGE'S CATARRH REMEDY.—$500 reward for an incurable case. Sold by druggists, or by mail 50 cents. A pamphlet free. Address R. V. PIERCE, M. D., Buffalo, N. Y.—*Advertisement.*

NEW-YORK TIMES FOR EUROPE.

THE EUROPEAN EDITION of the NEW-YORK TIMES is published THIS MORNING, and may be had at the counter of the publication office, in wrapper, ready for mailing. Price FIVE CENTS.

It will contain a full digest of Political, General and Local News up to the latest moment; a review of the Money and Produce Markets; all the Telegraphic News contained in the DAILY TIMES of this date; and such selections from the editorials and correspondence of the Times as may have interest for Americans residing abroad and for European subscribers.

THE EUROPEAN EDITION of the TIMES will be found on file in the offices of all the leading bankers in Europe.

R. F. STEVENS, No. 7 Hanover-court, Covent Garden, London, is agent for THE TIMES in Great Britain. He will receive subscriptions and advertisements and supply copies of the paper to Americans frequently in London.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The only transaction effected at the Exchange, yesterday, (Jan. 17,) was a Supreme Court sale in foreclosure, under the direction of THOS. BOSES, Esq., referee, made by WM. KEIWELT, auctioneer. The property disposed of, No. 234 Second-avenue, is 20x100 feet on the east side of the thoroughfare, between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth streets, and comprises a five-story brick building and lot, 24.8x82. The first floor, it was stated at the sale, is now rented as a bakery, at the rate of $600 per annum, and the entire building at about $2,000. The premises were sold, subject to a mortgage of $6,000, and were finally sold, after a number of bids had been made, to Mr. B. P. FAIRCHILD, for $14,250. The above was the only sale made.

Today, at the Exchange, MULLER, WILKINS & Co. will sell, by order of the Supreme Court in Partition, the valuable lot of City property belonging to the Crane estate, located respectively on Broadway, Fourth-avenue, Canal, Wooster and Laurens streets. Twenty-eight houses and lots in all will be sold, and as the auction is not only of importance in itself, but being the first large sale of the new year, great interest is already evinced as to the result. In addition to this projected transaction, ROBERTS & McGUIRE will offer also at legal sales, several desirable pieces of improved City property, the locations being on Pearl-street, Thirty-fourth-street, corner of Park and Duane streets, and corner of Second-avenue and Thirty-fourth-street. One or two other sales are, in addition, mentioned, and taken together, the day promises to be an active and interesting one to those dealing in real estate. In Brooklyn today J. COLE also offers, at the Exchange in that city, a large list of property, particular reference to which was made in this column yesterday.

In regard to property at private sale, the advertised line is daily increasing. V. K. STEVENSON & Son, No. 11 Pine-street, and R. S. TAYLOR & Co., No. 271 West Thirty-eighth-street, both publish new lists, from which to make selections, while D. M. SEAMAN, No. 14 Pine-street, and TAYLOR & STEARNS, No. 134 Pine-street, offer choice lots for building purposes on all the leading streets and avenues. The list of offices and other business property on lease, noticed by EDWARD MATTHEWS, Nos. 4 and 6 Broad-street, is worthy of attention, particularly at this season of the year.

The following recent private sales of property are reported: By CHAS. MAC RAE, No. 10 Cedar-street, eight full lots on the east side of Second-avenue, between One Hundred and Eleventh and One Hundred and Twelfth streets, for $40,000; also, one lot on the south side of Eighty-sixth-street, near Madison-avenue, for $9,000.

By WM. H. RAYNOR, No. 52 Pine-street, one full-sized lot on Fifth-avenue, between Ninety-sixth and Ninety-seventh streets, for $15,000. Mr. RAYNOR also reports the sale, by another broker, of four lots on the north-east corner of Fifth-avenue and Ninety-eighth-street, and four lots in the rear, fronting on Ninety-eighth-street in all, eight lots—for $105,000.

By JOHN MCCLAVE, No. 44 Pine-street, on Monday, three lots each on One Hundred and Fifteenth and One Hundred and Sixteenth streets respectively, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, in all, six full-sized lots—for $16,800. Also, a plot of nine lots and gores on Sylvan-avenue and Orchard-street, in Tremont, Westchester County, belonging to the Poole estate, for $6,000.

Bankruptcy Sales, Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1871.

NEW-YORK.

By Wm. Kennedy.

3-story brick house and lot, No. 614, s. s. of 23d-av., 24x4 ft. 8 in. of 24th-st., lot 24.9 LEES.....$14,300

Transfers of Real Estate.

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Baltic-st., n. s., 248 ft. e. s. of Henry-st., 22x39.10, Patrick Palmer, jr., to Palmer, jr., 2d m.....Dep.

Bergen-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of Nostrand-av., 16 ft. 3 in. x 80.....$800

Clermont-av., n. s., 200 ft. w. of Lewis-av., 40x100.....14,000

Bushwick-av., e. s., 100 ft. s. of Gates-av., 25x100.....4,400

Ivy-st., n. s., 200 ft. s. of Cypress-av., 20x100.....400

Lexington-st., n. s., 225.11 ft. s. w. of Wyckoff-av., 22x100.....225

Lorimer-st., e. s., 220 ft. s. of Nassau-av., 21x100, 2. and 3.....4,700

Marcy-av., e. s., 95 ft. w. of Willoughby-st., 18x100, partition.....810

Pacific-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of Vanderbilt-av., 25x100, foreclosure.....3,900

Pacific-st., n. s., 180 ft. e. w. of Central-av., 20x100.....280

Trotter-st., (now Cambridge-place,) e. s., 325.6 ft. n. of Gates-av., 24.6x100.....2,600

Willoughby-st., n. s., 225.7 ft. e. w. of Division-av., 21.6x116.3.....7,800

Wilson-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. w. of Division-av., 24.6x100.....2,500

Wyckoff-st., s. s., 100 ft. s. s. of Madison-st., 25x125.2.....275

26th-st. and 4th-av., northerly corner, 25.10x100.....7,200

26th-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of 4th-av., 25x100.....1,000

Clermont-av., w. s., 645.8 ft. n. of Fulton-av., 25x100.....4,000

Fulton-av., s. s., 48 ft. w. of Clermont-av., 18 ft. 3 in. x 100 ft., irregular.....10,000

Greenwood-av. and Clermont-av., s. w. corner, 38.7x125.....3,000

West Ostrander-st., n. s., 77.7 ft. w. of Dumont-av., 25x100.....700

Wythe-av., n. s., 91 ft. s. s. of Hooper-st., 18x100, foreclosure, (mortgage $2,000).....2,000

24-av. and 19th-st., easterly corner, 25x100.....940

New-Utrecht.

Ovington-av., n. s. s., lots Nos. 18, 19, 20, 21.....$10,000

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Rodiford.

Mt. Kisco to Newcastle road, e. s., adjoining Hoge-av., 122x300.....$4,000

Cortlandt.

Welles-v., w. s., adjoining Peekskill Academy, 65x80.....$600

Lower Landing road, 200 ft. s. w. of Friends' Meeting-house property, 50x200.....1,600

Greenburg.

Central-av., w. s., N. L. Dobbs' property.....$100

William C. Church's property.....5,000

North Salem.

Purdy Station to Somersville road, s. s., adjoining Harlem Railroad, 100x100.....$1,200

Mamaroneck.

Cedar-st., s. s., lot No. 64, West Morrisania, 50x150.....$6,000

Mount-Vernon.

Lots Nos. 89, 90, 91, First Sub-Grand Park.....$1,800

New-Rochelle.

Bank-st., s. s., adjoining S. Beaudet's, 22x100.....$2,700

Yonkers.

S. Leslie to Eve-mile imp. Turnpike road, S. Furman's, one acre.....$1,000

NEW-JERSEY.

Newark.

Bank-st., s. s., 120 ft. w. of Richmond-st., 47x100.....$3,000

Commerce-st., s. s., adjoining A. Allen, 20.10x 90.2.....6,400

Clifford-st., s. s., 200 ft. n. of Orange-st., 20x100.....3,000

6th-av., e. s., 159 ft. w. of Belleville-av., 22x100.....1,200

Orange.

Cotton Orchard and Hill sts., 64.1x100.....$7,000

East Orange.

Clinton-st., e. s., 500 ft. s. of M. & E. R. R., 175x 175.....3,750

Jersey City.

Laidlaw-st., s. s., lot 87 in all Industry, Wilson's map, 22x100.....$500

South 1st-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Erie-st., 18.4x100.....3,200

Hoboken.

Garden-st., e. s., 60 ft. s. of 8th-st., 22x100.....$3,000

North Bergen.

Lots Nos. 644 and 645, block No. 4, } North Hoboken map $2,000
Lots Nos. 267 and 268, block No. 21, }
Lots Nos. 797 and 798, block No. 12, } bonson map

CITY REAL ESTATE.

D. M. SEAMAN, NO. 14 PINE-ST., offers at PRIVATE SALE a large number first-class and medium-priced houses in all sections of the City; VACANT LOTS in all locations; BUSINESS PROPERTY on all the leading avenues and streets. AUCTION SALES FOR EXECUTORS and others made on favorable terms.

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HOUSES TO LET AND SALE BY
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West 23d-st., four-story and attic, e. b., brick.....$18,000
West 26th-st., three-story h. a. brick.....12,000
West 34th-st., three-story h. a. brick.....12,000
East 50th-st., three-story h. a. brick.....12,000
Madison-av., four-story h. a. brown-stone.....20,000
8th-av., four-story h. a. brown-stone.....18,000

OWNERS OF UNIMPROVED LOTS, CALL ON CHAS. HAGRAE, No. 70 Cedar-st., corner of Nassau.

A SUPERIOR FOUR-STORY HIGH-STOOP brown-stone, 25th-st., between 5th and 6th-avs.; marble halls, hard-wood finish; best street below the Park; $11,500, with handsome carpets and chandeliers; and improvements of a modern date. THOMAS J. DUNKIN, No. 554 3d-av.

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TO EXCHANGE FOR NEW-YORK ELONG ISLAND CITY PROPERTY.—Farm of 100 acres; stock, crops, tools, &c.; good buildings, fruit, &c.; three miles from Mineola, one-half mile from station, on National Railroad, now building; free and clear. E. B. HEMPSTONE, JR., 48 BOWERY.

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REAL ESTATE WANTED.

WANTED—TO PURCHASE A TWENTY-feet house, located between 8th-st. and the Park; must be on the west side and in a good street; price not to exceed $12,000.
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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

SUPREME COURT SALE IN PARTITION OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE, ON BROADWAY, NORTH-EAST CORNER OF 30TH-ST. ON 4TH-AV., NORTH-EAST CORNER 17TH-ST., ON CANAL-ST., AND ON WOOSTER AND LAURENS STS., RUNNING THROUGH AND FRONTING ON EACH STREET.

ADRIAN H. MULLER will sell at auction, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Supreme Court, in partition, under the direction of Henry Pelham, Esq., Referee, the following-described real estate, viz:

BROADWAY.—The five four-story stores and lots on the north-east corner of Broadway and 31st-st., Nos. 841, 843, 845, 847 and 849 Broadway; the entire plot having a front on Broadway of 124 feet 3 inches.

FOURTH-AVENUE.—The four-story marble and brick house and lot (with stable on the rear) on north-east corner of 4th-av. and 17th-st., opposite the Everett House and Union-square, 25 by 115 feet.

CANAL-STREET.—The two stores and lots on the northerly side of Canal-st., between Wooster and Laurens sts., Nos. 459 and 461 Canal-st.

WOOSTER-STREET.—The eleven three-story and attic brick buildings and lots on the westerly side of Wooster-st., 72 feet 4 inches north of Canal-st., Nos. 2, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21 and 23 Wooster-st., having a frontage of 108 feet on Wooster-st.

LAURENS-STREET (or 6th-av. extension.)—The nine four-story brick houses and lots on the easterly side of Laurens-st., in the rear of the lots on Wooster-st., Nos. 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 Laurens-st., adjoining together a front of 172 feet 6 inches on Laurens-st.

Sixty per cent. may remain on bond and mortgage of the purchaser for five years.

Maps of the premises can be had at the office of the auctioneer, No. 7 Pine-st., or of Lewis L. Delafield, Plaintiff's Attorney, No. 40 Exchange-place.

J. COLE, Auctioneer.

POSITIVE SALE BY ORDER OF THE Brooklyn Trust Company. Five splendid brown-stone residences in Brooklyn, to be sold at auction, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18, at 12 o'clock, at the Commercial Exchange, No. 389 Fulton-st., (opposite City Hall,) Brooklyn:

Five first-class brown-stone front houses, on the east side of Bedford-av., (Bedford,) between Willoughby and De Kalb avs., replete with all modern improvements.

Also, one vacant lot, north side Hart-st., 100 feet east from Tompkins-av.

Also, on the same time and place, one lot on Flatbush-av. and Butler-st.

Also, one splendid lot on Sackett-st., between 5th-av. and the Park.

Also,

EIGHTEEN HOUSES AND LOTS.

MONROE-STREET.—Two houses and four lots on north side, 200 feet east from Bedford-av.

MONROE-STREET.—Double house, four lots and stable; on the north side, 125 feet east from Bedford-av.

LAFAYETTE-AVENUE.—Four houses and lots, north side, 26 feet east from Reid-av.

STEWART-STREET.—Six houses and lots, north side, 76 feet 6 inches east from Lesney.

Also, fifteen lots on 24-av., 23d and 22d sts.

For maps, terms, &c., apply to the auctioneer's, No. 389 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

SUPREME COURT—CITY AND COUNTY of New-York—MALTBY G. LANE, plaintiff, against CATHARINE WAGNER and PHILIP WAGNER, her husband, and WILLIAM H. PAYNE, defendants.—In pursuance of a judgment of the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, made in the above-entitled action, on the 21st day of November, 1870, I, the undersigned referee appointed in and by said judgment, will sell at public auction, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on TUESDAY, the 7th day of February, 1871, at 12 o'clock noon, by LAWRENCE DELAFIELD, auctioneer, the following-described premises, viz.: All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land with the dwelling-house thereon erected, situate in the Nineteenth Ward of the City of New-York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Fifty-ninth-street, distant one hundred and five feet westerly from the south-west corner of Fifty-ninth-street and Second-avenue; thence running southerly, and parallel to the Second-avenue, one hundred feet and four inches; thence running westerly, on a line parallel to said Fifty-ninth-street, twenty-five feet; thence northerly, and on a line parallel to Second-avenue, one hundred feet and four inches, to the southerly side of Fifty-ninth-street; thence easterly along the said southerly side of Fifty-ninth-street, twenty-five feet, to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New-York, Jan. 11, 1871. GEORGE W. HARDIE, Referee.

C. W. VAN VOORHIS, Plaintiff's Attorney, No. 52 Nassau-st., New-York. Ja14-2w3w2&W

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an order of the Court of Common Pleas for the City and County of New-York, the subscriber, as receiver of all the property of HENRY HAHN, a judgment debtor, will sell at public auction at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 20th day of January, 1871, at 12 o'clock, M., all the right, title and interest of the subscribed said judgment debtor, in and to four certain lots of land situated in the township of Union, Hudson County, N. J., and being a part of a tract of land known by the name of North Union, and which, on a map of said tract of land made by William Hexamer, City Surveyor, and duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Hudson, State of New-Jersey, on the 2d day of June, 1869, are designated as lots Nos. 74, 75, 76 and 77, in block No. 4, fronting and facing on the westerly side of Bergen-Line road, each of said lots being 25 feet wide in front and rear, and 100 feet deep.

Ja12-2w2w2&W R. KENNEDY, Receiver, NEW-YORK, Dec. 16, 1870.

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO., Auctioneers.

THURSDAY, JAN. 19,
At 12 M., at Exchange Sales-room,
BROOKLYN PROPERTY NEAR FULTON FERRY.

FRONT-STREET.—Three brick houses and lots, Nos. 31, 33 and 35 Front-st., north side, between Dock and Garrison sts.

In the rear, and connected with Front-st. by alley, four houses and lots, averaging 18 feet in width.

The above property is contiguous to the ferries and in the heart of the business part of Brooklyn. Maps at No. 77 Cedar-st.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO., Auctioneers.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 25, AT 12 M., At Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway,
"GRAND BOULEVARD" LOTS.

GRAND BOULEVARD.—6 lots, between 125th and 126th sts.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD-STREET.—9 lots adjoining above, in the rear.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH-STREET.—8 lots adjoining above, in the rear.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD-STREET.—8 lots, north side, 200 feet east of Grand Boulevard.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FOURTH-STREET.—8 lots, south side, 200 feet east of Grand Boulevard.

Title indisputable. Terms accommodating. Maps at No. 77 Cedar-st.

E. H. LUDLOW & Co., Auctioneers.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF THE ES-TATE of A. J. Obriest, at Hoboken, Jan. 20, 1871, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, viz.: Buildings and lots, No. 11 Pine-st., No. 78 Nassau-st., and No. 42 Liberty-st.; six-sixteenths in packet ships of the Black Ball line; $2,000 scrip Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company, and 100 acres 111 perches of land in Monroe County, Penn.

Particulars at auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st.

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The connections of this Road with the Northern Pacific and the whole North-west, as well as its Eastern connections, will be seen from a Pamphlet and Map, which can be obtained at the office of

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STAR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 96 Broadway,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 9, 1871.

AT AN ELECTION HELD AT THE Office of this Company, Jan. 9, 1871, the following-named persons were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

LEVI APGAR,	D. B. MOSES,
G. L. APPERSONGATE,	WM. C. MILLER,
JAY ADAMS,	WM. W. OWENS,
PETER B. ANDERSON,	JOHN F. PUFKE,
EZNER BRADDESTON,	EDGAR PINCHOT,
HIRAM CONKLIN,	FRANCIS A. RAY,
MARTIN S. HUNT,	O. W. P. RANDOLPH,
ABIJAH CURTIS,	CHAS. B. RICHARD,
CHAS. DENISON,	CHAS. SPEAR,
JAMES FLANAGAN,	WM. H. SAVAGE,
DANIEL FOSTER,	E. T. TEFFT,
ALLAN WAY,	JOHN C. TUCKER,
JOHN E. HOLDANE,	STEPHEN VIELE,
ZACHARIAH JAQUES,	JAS. M. WALLACE,
T. C. KIMBALL,	R. CORNELL WHITE.

And, at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held Jan. 11, 1871, NICHOLAS C. MILLER was re-elected President, and JOHN B. FLANAGAN Vice-President.
JAMES M. HODGES, Secretary.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY,
CLEVELAND, Dec. 26, 1870.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 25, 1871, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 2 o'clock P. M., to vote upon a proposition to aid in the construction of and leasing a line of railroad between Springfield and Cincinnati, Ohio, and upon a contract with the Cleveland, Columbus and Cleveland Railroad Company for running, and business arrangements.

The transfer-books will be closed on the evening of Jan. 14, and reopened Jan. 27, 1871.
By order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE WILKES-BARRE COAL AND IRON COMPANY, NO. 87 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1871.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Wilkes-Barre Coal and Iron Company, for the election of directors and transaction of such other business as may be presented, will be held at the office of the Company at Wilkes-Barre, Penn., on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 25, 1871, at 11 o'clock A. M. The polls will close at 12 o'clock M.

Transfer-books will be closed from the 17th to the 24th inst., both days inclusive, by order.
WM. H. TILLINGHAST, Secretary.

OFFICE OF WELLS, FARGO AND COMPANY,
NO. 64 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1871.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors will be held on SATURDAY, Feb. 4, next, at the office of the Company.

Polls open from 12 M. to 1 P. M. Transfer-books will be closed Jan. 24, at 3 P. M., and reopened Feb. 6 at 10 A. M.
THEO. F. WOOD, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY,
NO. 135 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1871.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company, and for inspectors of the next election, will be held at the office of the Company on WEDNESDAY, 18th inst. Polls open from 12 M. until 1 o'clock.
JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

A LIMITED NUMBER OF SEVEN per cent. bonds of the City of New-Rochelle, N. Y., having twenty years to run, are for sale at 90 and accrued interest at the Chatham National Bank. The total debt of the City, including these bonds, is $372,000.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Springfield and Deep Run Coal Mining and Manufacturing Company, will be held at their office, No. 77 Cedar-st., on Jan. 23, 1871, at 12 M.
P. P. DICKINSON, President.

$300,000 CHICAGO TEN PER CENT MORTGAGES, in sums to suit, from $5,000 to $100,000 each. Apply to JACOB B. SHIPHERD & CO., No. 34 Pine-st., New-York; Nos. 156 and 157 La Salle-st., Chicago.

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NO. 62 PINE-ST.

N. B.—FIRST-CLASS INVESTMENT SECURITIES, PAYING LARGE RATES OF INTEREST, A SPECIALTY WITH THIS HOUSE FOR MANY YEARS.

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FRANCIS SKIDDY, Vice-President.
CALEB P. COLES, Cashier.

CAPITAL, $2,000,000.

THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1871.

At the annual election for nine directors of this bank, held at the banking-rooms this day, the following-named persons were elected directors for the ensuing year:

WILLIAM A. WHEELOCK,
HENRY A. SMYTHE,
FRANCIS SKIDDY,
HORACE B. CLAFLIN,
CHARLES G. LANDON,
SIMON BERNHEIMER,
NATHAN A. BALDWIN,
ROBERT B. ROOSEVELT,
WILLIAM D. BISHOP.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, Mr. WILLIAM A. WHEELOCK was elected President, and Mr. FRANCIS SKIDDY Vice-President, for the ensuing year.

Mr. CHARLES E. BOGERT was at the same meeting appointed Assistant Cashier.
C. P. COLES, Cashier.

REDEMPTION OF WAR LOAN BONDS.

OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE, Jan. 2, 1871.

Notice is hereby given to holders of Indiana War Loan Bonds that the Agent of State will be ready to redeem said bonds at his office, No. 67 Broadway, New-York City, on the 1st day of May next. Holders desiring to surrender said Bonds for payment are required to notify the Agent of State on or before the 25th of March.

By order of the Board of State Debt Sinking Fund Commissioners.
J. C. BURNETT, Secretary.

LA NANCHE MINING COMPANY.

The adjourned annual meeting of the stockholders of the La Nanche Mining Company of Newfoundland will be held at No. 24 Dey-st., on WEDNESDAY, the 25th inst., at 4 o'clock P. M.
JAS. A. ALEXANDER, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1871.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GOULDING WOOL-SPINNING-MACHINE MANUFACTURING COMPANY.—The undersigned, President, Secretary, and a majority of Trustees of the Goulding Wool-spinning-machine Manufacturing Company of the City of New-York, hereby report that the amount of capital stock of said Company is five hundred thousand dollars, nominal or par value, and the whole amount of said stock has been actually paid in, in the purchase of patent rights and machinery, &c., and that the amount of existing debts of said Company does not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

Office of the Goulding Wool-spinning-machine Manufacturing Company, Nos. 6 and 7 Dey-st., Room No. 10.
SAMUEL H. GROSVENOR, President.

WILLIAM F. CLARK, Jr., Secretary.
S. H. GROSVENOR, WM. F. CLARK, JR., LEWIS CROSBY, GEO. H. GURLEY, } Majority of Trustees.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1871.

City and County of New-York, ss.: WM. F. CLARK, Jr., Secretary of the Goulding Wool-spinning-machine Manufacturing Company, being duly sworn, says that the foregoing report, signed by him, and the matters therein contained, are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.
WILLIS S. PAINE,
Notary Public, New-York County.

NATIONAL BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1871.

AT AN ELECTION HELD THIS DAY for Directors of this bank, the following gentlemen were duly elected, viz.:

EDWARD HAIGHT,	CORNELIUS K. SUTTON,
WM. M. GAWTEY,	BENJAMIN J. HOWLAND,
GUSTAV REYNAUD,	FRANCIS LELAND,
PALMER SPONGER,	EDWARD A. HAIGHT,
REUBEN MANLEY,	JAMES T. SMOTT,
	GEORGE ELLIS.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held on the 11th inst. Hon. EDWARD HAIGHT having, on account of his health, declined a re-election, GEORGE ELLIS was elected President, and EDWARD HAIGHT Vice-President.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE CO.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1871.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this Company, held on 10th inst., the following gentlemen were elected:

JAMES N. COBB,	WILLIAM B. ASTEN,
JOHN Q. JONES,	JOSEPH SAMPSON,
WM. H. ASPINWALL,	GEORGE A. JONES,
ROBERT BAY,	WILLIAM H. GUION,
R. LENOX KENNEDY,	JAMES A. ROOSEVELT,
SANFORD COBB,	HENRY MEYER,
PHILIP M. LYDIG.	

At a subsequent meeting of the Board, SANFORD COBB was unanimously re-elected President.
A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF HARTFORD AND NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD COMPANY,
HARTFORD, Jan. 6, 1871.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Hartford and New-Haven Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, in Hartford, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th of January inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., for choice of directors, and transacting such other business as may then be brought before the meeting.

The transfer-books will be closed from the 11th to the 18th January, both days inclusive.
R. P. CONNER, Secretary.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN—THAT a meeting of the stockholders of the New-York and Hempstead Plains Railroad Company will be held at the office of the said Company, No. 78 Broadway, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 1, 1871, at 12 o'clock M., at which will be submitted for consideration an agreement for the consolidation of said Company with the Hempstead and Rockaway Railroad Company.
THOS. C. GUTCHINS, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1870.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a meeting of the stockholders of the Hempstead and Rockaway Railroad Company will be held at the office of said Company, No. 78 Broadway, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 1, 1871, at 11 o'clock P. M., at which will be submitted for consideration an agreement for the consolidation of said Company with the New-York and Hempstead Plains Railroad Company.
THOS. C. GUTCHINS, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1870.

OFFICE OF THE DUBUQUE AND SIOUX CITY R. R. CO.,
DUBUQUE, Iowa, Jan. 12, 1871.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the Dubuque and Sioux City Railroad Company for the election of Directors will be held at the office of the Company, in Dubuque, Iowa, on MONDAY, Feb. 13, 1871.
C. H. BOOTH, Secretary.

MONEY TO LOAN ON DESIRABLE IMproved and unimproved City, and Brooklyn improved real estate; mortgages promptly cashed; principals only dealt with.
WM. SINCLAIR, JR., & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

$87,000 TRUST FUNDS TO LOAN on bond and mortgage, in sums to suit; mort

SHIPPING.

CUNARD LINE.
THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS,
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL,
CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.
Abyssinia, Wed., Jan. 18 | Batavia, Thursday, Feb. 2
Cuba, Wednesday, Feb. 8
Siberia, Thursday, Jan. 19 | Palmyra, Thursday, Feb. 9
Cuba, Wednesday, Jan. 25 | Algeria, Wednesday, Feb. 15
Aleppo, Thursday, Jan. 26 | Parthia, Thursday, Feb. 16
Russia, Wednesday, Feb. 1
RATES OF PASSAGE.
By the Wednesday steamers, not carrying Steerage:
First Cabin, $150, gold. Second Cabin, $80, gold.
First Cabin to Paris ..... $165, gold.
By the Thursday steamers:
First Cabin, $80 gold. Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.
Through Bills of Lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's Office, No. 4 Bowling-green.
For steerage passage apply at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building.
CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

STEAM-SHIP ARKOSSINIA, SAILING 16th January, will call at HALIFAX.
Cabin passage to Halifax, $20 gold.
CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN,
No. 4 Bowling-green.

THE ANCHOR LINE OF STEAMERS
Sail every SATURDAY and alternate WEDNESDAY, to and from Glasgow and Derry, calling at Londonderry to and from all railway stations in Great Britain, Ireland, Germany, Norway, Sweden or Denmark, to America, as safely, speedily, cheaply and cheaply as by any other route or line.
[illegible] STEAMER. "EXTRA" STEAMERS.
[illegible] Sat., Jan. 21 | Iowa ..... Wed., Jan. 25
[illegible] Sat., Feb. 4 | Scandia ..... Wed., Feb. 8
[illegible] Sat., Feb. 11 | Iowa ..... Wed., Feb. 15
[illegible] Sat., Feb. 18 | Ismailia ..... Wed., March 1
[illegible] Sat., Feb. 25 | Scandia ..... Wed., April 5
[illegible] SATURDAY and alternate WEDNESDAY, from Pier No. 20 North River, New-York.
[illegible] PASSAGE IN CURRENCY, TO LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, OR DERRY:
First Cabin $80 and $10, according to location.
Cabin excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $130.
Intermediate, $60; Steerage, $30.
Certificates, at REDUCED RATES, can be bought here by those wishing to send for their friends.
Drafts payable on demand.
Apply at the Company's offices to
HENDERSON BROTHERS, No. 7 Bowling-green.

INMAN LINE FOR QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF PARIS ..... Saturday, Jan. 21, 2 P. M.
CITY OF BALTIMORE, (via Halifax, N. S.) Saturday, Jan. 28, 10 A. M.
CITY OF LONDON ..... Saturday, Jan. 28, 11 A. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP ..... Saturday, Feb. 4, 12 P. M.
And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. | PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
1st Cabin ..... $80 | Steerage $30
To London ..... 85 | To Paris 95
To Paris ..... 95 | To Halifax, N. S. 15
Passengers also forwarded to Antwerp, Rotterdam, Sweden, Norway, and Denmark, at reduced rates.
Through tickets to California at reduced rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's office.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

NATIONAL LINE.
STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN, From Pier No. 47 North River.
ERIN, Saturday, Jan. 21, at 2 P. M.
DENMARK, Antwerp, Saturday, Jan. 21, at 3 P. M.
FRANCE, Grand, Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 9 A. M.
ITALY, Genoa, Saturday, Jan. 28, at 10 A. M.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $70 and $80, gold. Steerage, $30 currency.
Prepaid tickets for friends from Liverpool, Queenstown, Londonderry and Glasgow, $30 currency.
For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
P. W. J. HURST, Manager.

FOR LIVERPOOL,
(VIA QUEENSTOWN),
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.
THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steam-ships from PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY
as follows:
NEBRASKA, Capt. CHAD ..... Jan. 18, at 2 P. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. POSNTIN ..... Jan. 25, at 9 A. M.
TYBEE, Capt. WHEELHOUSE ..... Feb. 1, at 11 A. M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. T. W. TREDWAR, ... Feb. 8, at 2 P. M.
IDAHO, Capt. PIERS ..... Feb. 15, at 9 A. M.
NEVADA, Capt. LEITCH ..... Feb. 15, at 2 P. M.
Cabin passage, $80, gold.
Steerage passage, (Office No. 20 Broadway,) $30, currency.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 46 Wall-st.
ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.
THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.
VILLE DE PARIS ..... WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18
WASHINGTON ..... SATURDAY, Jan. 28
[illegible]
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
FREIGHT AND PASSAGE GREATLY REDUCED.
Through tickets from New-York to San Francisco, First Class, $110. Steerage, $60.
Through tickets to Hong-Kong, China, and Japan, at the lowest rates of North.
Those tickets include berths, board and all necessaries for the trip.
Steamers of this STEAMSHIP leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon, on the 4TH AND 19TH OF EACH MONTH, or on the next day when 4th or 19th falls on Sunday, when the day of sailing.
Through passage tickets to Japan and China, and drafts for passage from any of the agencies of the Company, may be obtained at the office of the Company, at the Pacific Mail Steamship Office, No. 1 Broadway, corner of Broadway and Battery-place.
For freight or passage, apply at the office of the Company, on the premises.
JOS. H. RHEINY CHADBURN, Capt. A. G. GRAY, Agent, Pier No. 42 North River.
[illegible] OF AMERICA will leave San Francisco [illegible] for Central America, Panama and South Pacific ports, on the 4 P. M. on Wednesday, [illegible]. All the usual facilities for expedited shipping of goods, without charges, &c.
For freight or passage, apply at the office, Pier No. 42 North River.
F. R. BABY, Agent.
FOR NASSAU, N. P.,
CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.
Adelaide, fast steamer, Company's steamer COLORADO, Capt. E. VAN GINN, will sail Jan. 28, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.
For freight or passage, apply to
A. W. DIMOCK, President,
No. 6 Bowling-green.
UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.
ATLANTIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.
[illegible] ..... Saturday, Jan. 21, at 3 o'clock P. M.
[illegible] Pier No. 4 North River.
[illegible] CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS ..... Jan. 28
[illegible] Capt. E. VANEGIN, (via Nassau) ..... Feb. 4
[illegible] Capt. J. B. SEWARD ..... Feb. 11
[illegible] Capt. J. A. HOWES ..... Feb. 18
A. W. DIMOCK, President, No. 6 Bowling-green.
HAVANA, MEXICO AND VERA CRUZ.
[illegible] Mail Steam-ship [illegible], Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
[illegible] ..... Wednesday, Jan. 18
[illegible] OF MEXICO, Deakes ..... Saturday, Jan. 21
[illegible] OF MEXICO, [illegible] ..... Tuesday, Jan. 24
[illegible] ..... Friday, Jan. 27
J. ALEXANDER & SONS, No. 22 Broadway.
[illegible] to Havana only; extra passage money.
FOR SAVANNAH, GA.,
THE FLORIDA PORTS,
AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.
[illegible] SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE.
[illegible] RAILROAD, GEORGIA AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.
FOUR STEAMERS A WEEK.
[illegible]
THURSDAYS
AND SATURDAYS.
THE STEAM-SHIPS
[illegible] LIVINGSTON, Capt. [illegible]
[illegible] TUESDAY, Jan. 19, from Pier No. 36 North River.
[illegible] LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 36 Liberty-st.
[illegible] SALVADOR, Capt. NICKERSON, SATURDAY, Jan. 21, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRIGUES, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.
[illegible] MONTGOMERY, Capt. YARNTON, SATURDAY, Jan. 21, from Pier No. 12 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 6 Wall.
[illegible] LEE, Capt. DEARBORN, TUESDAY, Jan. 24, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
Nos. 51 and 53 South.
[illegible] by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT. [illegible] accommodations for passengers.
[illegible] Bills of Lading in connection with the Central and Gulf Freight line.
[illegible] Bills of Lading in connection with the Central of Georgia, to all points.
G. D. OWENS, Agent A. G. R. R.,
No. 2 Broadway. GEORGE YONGE, Agent C. R. R.,
No. 409 Broadway.
FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
Old line, low freight.
The well-known first-class side-wheel steam-ship BIENVILLE,
J. B. BAKER, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 2 North River, on SATURDAY, Jan. 21, at 3 P. M. Freight taken for Mobile, Galveston, Indianola, and all points on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers, to be discharged at New-Orleans.
For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 36 Liberty-st.
Steam-ship VICTOR will follow from Pier No. 2 North River, on SATURDAY, Jan. 28.
P. H. MALLORY & CO.,
No. 134 Maiden-lane.
NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.
[illegible] of questions as to which is the best way of going to Europe, who and what are the most reliable lines, should never leave New-York without one; they will save many invaluable hours, relieve the travelers from all care and anxiety in regard to the purchase of tickets and conveyance of baggage to the best accommodations, in providing the best accommodations, and in facilitating a saving of money which they are exposed in various ways of imposition, and in facility of access to which they are exposed in various ways of imposition, and in facility of access to the various lines of steamers, carriages, &c., &c. Call at the TOURIST AGENCY, No. 1 Park-row, corner of Ann-st., and obtain information free.

SHIPPING.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 3d of every month.
MERRIMACK, Capt. WIRE, Jan. 3.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. R. L. THELEPAGUE, Feb. 3.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. G. S. SHOONS, March 3.
These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage apply to
WM. P. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.
SAN DOMINGO LINE FOR
PUERTA PLATA, SAMANA, SANTO DOMINGO CITY.
The United States Mail Steam-ship
TYBEE,
Capt. R. A. DELANOY,
will leave for the above ports on her regular day.
For freight or passage apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 30 Broadway.
DELAWARE AND NEW-YORK S. S. CO.
Pier No. 8 N. R.—The steamer Jackson will leave for Lewes, Del., every Tuesday, at 3 P. M., taking freight for all points on the Junction and Breakwater and Delaware Railroads. Returning, leave Lewes every Saturday at 4 P. M., or on arrival of the train. For freight and passage apply at office on pier.

STEAMBOATS.

NARRAGANSETT STEAM-SHIP CO.
NEW-JERSEY SOUTHERN RAILROAD LINE.
NEW-YORK AND PHILADELPHIA.
VIA SANDY HOOK AND LONG BRANCH.
WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.
The steamers MAGENTA, Capt. JOHN BROWN, and JESSE HOYT, Capt. JAMES DEELY, leave Pier No. 39 North River daily (Sundays excepted), as follows: MAGENTA 4 P. M., connecting at Keyport with Steamer Ocean Wave for Philadelphia; JESSE HOYT 4 P. M., connecting with way train for Tom's River. For Port Monmouth, Keyport, Middletown, and Rumson and Shrewsbury, connection is made at Keyport with the 4 P. M. train. And for Port Monmouth Pier with 4 P. M. boat. Philadelphia freight received at lowest rates up to 3 P. M., and forwarded with despatch. Way freight to 4 P. M.
JAMES PIRIE, Jr., President.
M. B. SIMONS, Managing Director.
NARRAGANSETT STEAM-SHIP CO.
FOR BOSTON,
Via Fall River Line, leaving at NEWPORT, DAILY, (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED,) AT 4 P. M.
From Pier No. 28 North River, foot of Chambers-st.
WINTER ARRANGEMENT.
Two splendid steamers
NEWPORT, OLD COLONY,
Capt. A. G. SIMMONS, Capt. E. M. SIMMONS,
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
FREIGHT RECEIVED UP TO 4 P. M.
JAMES PIRIE, Jr., President.
M. B. Simons, Managing Director.
FOR BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS East on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroads; leave R. R. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 12 noon every day, (Sundays excepted.)
FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND THE NORTH.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 5:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with road.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL AND HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.
Trains leave 30th-st. as follows:
8:40 A. M. Chicago express, drawing-room cars attached.
10:30 A. M. Special drawing-room car express for Chicago. No accommodation for way passengers except in drawing-room cars.
10:40 A. M. Northern and Western express, drawing-room cars attached.
4:00 P. M. Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.
5:30 P. M. First Pacific express, with sleeping-cars through to Watertown, Syracuse and Buffalo, Niagara Falls (daily.)
8:00 P. M. Second Pacific express, with sleeping-cars attached, for Rochester and Buffalo, also for Chicago via both L. S. and M. C. Railroads, for St. Louis via Toledo, and Louisville via Indianapolis. This train will leave at 6 P. M. on Sundays.
11:30 P. M. Night express, sleeping-cars attached.
7:30 A. M. and 4:15 P. M. Poughkeepsie trains.
8:30 A. M., 4:15 and 6:40 P. M. Peekskill trains.
8:30 and 6:10 P. M. Sing Sing trains.
6:40, 7:30, 8:10 and 10:15 A. M., 12 M., 1:30, 3, 4:30, 5:10, 6:10 and 11:30 P. M. Yonkers trains.
8:00 A. M. Sunday train for Poughkeepsie.
C. H. KENDRICK, General Passenger Agent.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 4, 1870.
NEW-YORK AND PHILADELPHIA RAILROAD.
FROM FOOT OF CORTLANDT-ST.
TRAVEL SOUTH RESUMED.
The ice blockade of the Potomac River is broken, and travel is now resumed by the Washington, Aquia Creek and Richmond route. Trains leave New-York at 8:30 A. M. and 9:30 P. M., making connections for Richmond, Charleston, Savannah, Augusta, Atlanta, Macon, Mobile and New-Orleans.
Tickets office, foot of Cortlandt-st. and depot Jersey City.
W. J. JACKSON, General Superintendent.
J. L. KENNEDY, General Passenger Agent.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class cook in all its branches; is a good baker; can furnish best City references; no objection to the country. Apply at No. 11 Union Court, University-place, between 11th and 12th sts.

WANTED—AT BOOKHAM'S, RO. 225 4TH-AV., a situation by a large number of professional servants and other cooks, waiters, nurses, laundresses, and all American, English, Irish, French, and Scotch servants suited in good situations.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL, A situation as cook in a private family; has no objection to assist in washing and ironing; the best of City references, if required. Call for two days at No. 226 West 22d-st., between 1st and 2d avs.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook in a private family by one who understands her business in all its branches; good City reference. Call at No. 215 3d-av., between 14th and 15th sts., in the store.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT PROTESTANT girl as cook; willing to assist in washing and ironing; best City reference; no objection to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 146 West 16th-st., near 6th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable Protestant woman as cook, and to assist in washing and ironing; no objection to a short distance in country; best City references. Call at No. 128 [illegible], near 10th-st.

WANTED—BY A GOOD GERMAN WOMAN, a situation to do general house-work; is willing and obliging. Call at M. HILDE'S, No. 127 Norfolk-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, a situation as waitress and chamber-maid, and willing to make herself generally useful. Call at No. 209 West 29th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class cook; an excellent baker; understands all kinds of meats, soups and desserts; unexceptionable reference. Call or address No. 146 West 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable girl as chamber-maid and seamstress; four years' excellent references. Call or address No. 124 West 32d-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS laundress; would prefer the country; good City reference. Call at 115 West 15th-st., front basement.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young man as footman and groom in a private family; understands the care of horses thoroughly; strictly temperate; will be found obliging; first-class City reference. Address M., Box No. 154 Times Office, for two days.

WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by an experienced man who thoroughly understands his business in all its branches; can produce superior references from his last employer. Can be seen for two days. Call at No. 300 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class Frenchman as cook; understands cooking in all its branches; no objection to a private boarding-house. Can be seen at 128 4th-av., for two days.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT MAN A situation on a gentleman's place, to take care of horses, and can milk. Call or address WM. ROBERTSON, No. 119 West 17th-st., for four days.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT MAN, A situation as a gardener; is perfectly sober; best City reference. Can be seen at or address WM. J., No. 68 2d-av., corner 5th-st., top floor.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young colored man as coachman or waiter; the best of reference given as to character and capability. Call for two days at No. 223 East 20th-st.

TO BANKS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, &c.—Wanted, employment by a middle-aged American man as night or day watchman, or surveyor, or any other employment where honesty and sobriety are required; unexceptional testimonials. Address R. D. PRICE, Box No. 114 Times Office.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—AN INTELLIGENT BOY, ABOUT 15 years of age, for general office work. One who lives with his parents, and is under good influence, may address, with references, C. P., Box No. 181 Times Office.

WANTED.—A PERSON ACCUSTOMED TO the care of children for nursing children, or well on an invalid lady; best City references. Call at No. 245 West 27th-st.

WANTED—A TIDY GERMAN OR AMERican girl as nurse, and to assist with plain sewing. Apply, with references, at No. 261 West 11th-st.

WANTED—A RESPECTABLE WOMAN AS nurse and seamstress. Apply at No. 117 West 42d-st., before 1 o'clock.

BRANDRETH WANTED. Apply at No. 69 Vesey-st., Room No. 23.

PROPOSALS.

HEAD-QUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF THE MISSOURI, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, Dec. 28, 1870.
SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office until 11 o'clock A. M., Saturday, (disk.) 1871, for the TRANSPORTATION OF MILITARY, INDIAN AND GOVERNMENT SUPPLIES,
during the year commencing April first, (1st,) 1871, and ending March 31, 1872, on the following route:
FROM SOUTH BEND, INDIANA, TO FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS.
From such points on the Kansas Pacific Railway as may, during the existence of the contract, be designated by the Chief Quartermaster of the Military Department of the Missouri, to any posts and places that may be designated by the forwarding officers or their agents, in the State of Kansas and Territory of Colorado, either north or south of the said railway, in the Territory of New-Mexico, and in such portions of the States of Texas and Indian Territory as lie north of the Red River and west of longitude 96°; also from any intermediate points on the routes above mentioned to the posts and places above mentioned.
Bidders will state the rate per one hundred (100) pounds, on one hundred miles, at which they will transport the stores in each month of the year, beginning April first, (1st,) 1871.
The weight to be transported will not exceed 20,000,000 pounds.
Bidders will state their places of residence, and each proposal must be accompanied by a deposit of $5,000, (notes or certified check on some responsible banking-house or bank, payable to the order of the undersigned,) as a guarantee that in case an award is made to him, the bidder will accept it, and enter into contract with good and sufficient security, in accordance with the terms of this advertisement; and may be forfeited to the United States in case of failure by the party to whom the contract may be awarded to execute in due form such contract.
The entire route must be bid for. Bids will not be entertained for portions only of the route.
The right to reject any and all bids that may be offered is reserved.
The contractor must be in readiness for service by the first day of April, 1871, and must have a place of business or agency, at which he may be communicated with readily, at the principal points of the route.
Blank forms, showing the conditions of the contract to be entered into, must accompany and be a part of the proposals. These blanks, and the information mentioned below, can be obtained on application to this office, and to the Quartermasters at St. Louis, Mo., and Santa Fe, New-Mexico.
Blanks for proposals, and information as to requirements and qualifications of bidders, will be furnished on application.
Bidders are requested to send for copy of form of contract, and information as to requirements, as they contain new provisions for the protection of the interests of the Government.
By order of the Chief Quartermaster Military Division of the Missouri.
H. C. EASTON,
Deputy Quartermaster-General U. S. A.,
Chief Quartermaster Dept. of the Missouri.

PURCHASING AND DISBURSING PAY-MASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. NAVY, NO. 2 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1871.
PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AND INDORSED on envelope "Bids for Supplies Advertised," will be received at this office until 1 o'clock P. M. of the date hereof, for the following supplies, of the best quality, to be delivered at the Navy-yard, New-York, viz.:
BUREAU PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING.
1,200 Pea Jackets.
2,400 pairs Cloth Trousers.
Naval Standard.
Bidders are referred to the Inspector of Provisions and Clothing at the Navy-yard, New-York, for samples and further information, and will state in their proposals the date within which they will complete deliveries, if awarded to them, which must not exceed 60 days from date of order.
The right is reserved to reject any or all bids that may not be deemed advantageous to the Government, and to award each article or item separate, as may be most to its interest.
Responsible security required for the prompt and faithful delivery of supplies awarded within the time specified.
Blank forms will be furnished at this office, and bids opened at the hour above named, when parties interested are invited to be present.
J. O. BRADFORD, Pay-master U. S. N.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COOK BY A very respectable North of Ireland Protestant woman; is an excellent cook; understands meats, game, hose, lard, soups of all kinds, pastry, jellies, creams, side dishes of all kinds, &c.; country or City; best City testimonials. Call at No. 325 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A WIDOW woman as seamstress; understands all kinds of family sewing and dress-making; would go out by the week or month; has her own machine; the best of reference given. Call for two days at No. 341 West 54th-st., near 8th-av., first floor.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT WOMAN, A situation as companion, or as nurse and seamstress; has lived in both capacities; unexceptionable references from families in the City with whom she has lived for a number of years. Call or address for two days No. 706 6th-av.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT GIRL, A situation as nurse; can take a baby from birth and bring it up on bottle if required; is competent and trustworthy; is an excellent seamstress; has the best of City references. Can be seen for two days at No. 54 West 17th-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG WOMAN, A SITUation as chamber-maid and waitress; would assist in the washing and ironing; would go a short distance in the country; good reference. Apply at No. 425 West 30th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A HIGHLY respectable young married woman as wet nurse in a private family; has the best of references. Can be seen for two days at No. 355 6th-av., between 20th and 21st sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman to wait on a lady and sew, or care for grown children and light chamber-work; good testimonials as to character and capabilities. Address or call for two days at No. 356 Sixth 17th-st., upstairs.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTestant girl, a situation as cook; is thoroughly competent to do housework; would prefer the best City references given. Call at No. 242 West 10th-st., fifth floor, front room.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT WOMAN, A situation as first-class laundress; understands fluting and doing up lace and finerie in superior style; City or country; excellent reference. Call at No. 134 West 32d-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, a situation as chamber-maid or waiter; the best of reference given as to character and capability. Call for two days at No. 223 East 20th-st.

TO BANKS, INSURANCE COMPANIES, &c.—Wanted, employment by a middle-aged American man as night or day watchman, or surveyor, or any other employment where honesty and sobriety are required; unexceptional testimonials. Address R. D. PRICE, Box No. 114 Times Office.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG girl to do chamber-work, and assist with the washing and ironing; best of City reference. Inquire at No. 220 West 14th-st., near 8th-av., in the store.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable Protestant girl as waitress, or as chamber-maid and seamstress, in a small private family; good City reference. Call for two days. Call or address No. 235 3d-av., between 18th and 19th sts., in the store.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG girl as seamstress and chamber-maid; operates on Wheeler & Wilson's machine; understands hair-dressing. Call or address No. 222 East 52d-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COMPEtent Protestant woman as first-class laundress; understands French fluting, fine muslins, &c.; the best City references. Apply at No. 340 4th-av.

WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION; WILL assist in washing; country or City; a respectable woman and good cook; has good testimonials. Call at No. 226 4th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class chamber-maid in a boarding-house, or as waitress; good City references. Call at 40 West 12th-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG GIRL, A SITUAtion as seamstress and to assist with children; is a Protestant. Call at No. 364 West 16th-st.

WANTED—BY AN EXPERIENCED LAUNdress, a place at her own home; good references. Call for two days at No. 224 West 42d-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG GIRL A SITUAtion as cook, washer and ironer, in a private family. Call for two days at No. 417 East 16th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL, A situation as nurse and plain sewer; City references. Call at 168, north-west corner 44th-st. and 3d-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG man, a situation as waiter or butler; best City references. Call or address G. F., No. 40 East 18th-st.

AT BEDELL'S, NO. 26 (TRAY, ARE wanted a large number of select servants for City and country; cooks, chamber-maids, nurses, laundresses, &c. Well recommended girls suited immediately.

COLORED SERVANTS, MALE AND female, for every capacity, supplied at shortest notice. SIMMS' Intelligence Office, No. 541 6th-av., fourth door above 22d-st.

FIRST-CLASS HELP.—ALL WELL-recommended waiters, cooks, waitresses, nurses, chamber-maids, laundresses, &c., may constantly be found at the French Office, No. 608 5th-av.

ATTENTION.—FIRST-CLASS GERMAN, French, Irish and American male and female help can be found at Office No. 136 6th-av., near 10th-st.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE CHARITY BALL.
The Sixteenth Annual Ball in aid of the Nursery and Child's Hospital will take place at the Academy of Music on THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 2. Tickets, $5 each, can be had ONLY from the following
MANAGERS:
Mrs. Lloyd Aspinwall, Mrs. Averell, Mrs. Abbessin, Mrs. Wm. E. Appleton, Mrs. Daniel F. Appleton, Mrs. Loring Andrews, Mrs. J. Lloyd Abbot, Mrs. Barrede, Mrs. Barlow, Mrs. James Brooks, Mrs. Ashbel R. Barney, Mrs. Lewis B. Brown, Mrs. Edmund Benedict, Mrs. John Bryan, Mrs. John Bleecker, Mrs. Chickering, Mrs. Edward Clark, Mrs. Edward Cooper, Mrs. Wm. Chamberlain, Mrs. R. Henry Dana, Mrs. Henry Hills, Mrs. F. R. Howe, Mrs. Gould Hoyt, Mrs. Richard Hoffman, Mrs. Meredith Howland, Miss Rachel Hunter, Mrs. Charles H. Isham, Mrs. Adrian Iselin, Mrs. Louis C. Jones, Mrs. Lawrence Jerome, Mrs. Frederick Jones, Mrs. Jaudon, Mrs. John T. Johnston, Mrs. Benjamin Kugwer, Mrs. Alexander Kemp, Mrs. James F. Kernaghan, Mrs. N. C. Kinney, Mrs. Chas. P. Kirkland, Jr., Mrs. Fred. Pierson, Mrs. Charles A. Lambard, Mrs. Edwin Ludlow, Mrs. Philip Livingston, Mrs. David Lamb, Mrs. F. O. Lawrence, Mrs. Edward L. Lynch, Mrs. William Mackay, Mrs. R. Sayrs McCord, Mrs. Bertrand Rhinelander, Mrs. John Riley, Mrs. James H. Robb, Mrs. W. G. Ray, Mrs. H. F. Spalding, Mrs. Russell Stebbins, Mrs. John Sherwood, Mrs. Barrett Shephard, Mrs. Alexander Stuart, Mrs. Algernon S. Sullivan, Mrs. W. H. Shelton, Mrs. Geo. B. Schleffelin, Mrs. Pascal Stevens, Mrs. Francis Skiddy, Mrs. Clarence A. Seward, Mrs. H. A. Smythe, Mrs. Fred. Stevens, Mrs. H. S. Sanford, Mrs. Fred. Suydam, Mrs. George W. Strong, Mrs. Robert Sage, Mrs. Joseph F. Stone, Mrs. Richard A. Schnabel, Mrs. F. Stimpson, Mrs. Douglas Taylor, Mrs. Joseph Alsop, Mrs. L. Seymour Ashley, Mrs. R. J. Anderson, Mrs. James E. Andrews, Mrs. Charles C. Allen, Mrs. Nathan Appleton, Mrs. J. Roosevelt Bailey, Mrs. Peter Bedford, Mrs. Lamsdale Boardman, Gen. F. C. Barlow, Dr. L. P. Bailey, Mr. C. F. Blake, Mr. James Bleecker, Mr. Horace Barry, Mr. Eugene Bogert, Mr. Charles Bell, Mr. Francis G. Brown, Mr. C. F. Blake, Mr. Geo. H. Bend, Mr. James Cutting, Mr. Samuel Chase Coale, Mr. W. H. Colhoun, Mr. W. F. Corne, Mr. Henry Clews, Mr. La G. B. Cannon, Mr. E. Fitth, Mr. Chas. G. Francklyn, Mr. Seymour Fowler, Mr. J. P. Gillespie, Mr. T. St. Clair Grant, Mr. William Gebhard, Dr. Albert Gallatin, Mr. O. Gildersleeve, Mr. Fred. Goodridge, Hon. C. Godfrey Gunther, Mr. Sheppard Gandy, Mr. J. C. Groton, Mr. Geo. Griswold Gray, Mr. Martin E. Greene, Mr. G. G. Howland, Mr. William Hoyt, Mr. Richard L. Hurst, Commodore Harmony, Mr. George Hoffman, Hon. A. Oakey Hall, Mr. William Rollins, Mr. Wilson G. Hunt, Dr. J. J. Hull, Hon. John T. Hoffman, Mr. Frederick R. Halsey, Mr. Henry Hilton, Mr. Ward McAllister, Mr. G. Natorp, Mr. Walton Oakley, Mr. Devereux Pennington, Mr. J. Fred. Pierson, Hon. Clarence Potter, Mr. John Fyne, Mr. Archibald Pell, Mr. Arthur Peabody, Gen. Alfred Pleasonton, Mr. Victor Place, Mr. George Roh, Mr. Chandler Robbins, Mr. William R. Rogers, Mr. Livingston Rogers, Dr. J. B. Reynolds, Mr. M. O. Roberts, Mr. Wheaton Rhinelander, Mr. Ed. Renwick, Jr., Col. Reed, Mr. E. Delafield Smith, Mr. Jesse Seligman, Mr. Ed. Sandford, Jr., Mr. Wm. T. Coleman, Mr. David Crawford, Mrs. Robt. L. Cutting, Mrs. Smith Clift, Mrs. Carnochan, Mrs. Cornelius Du Bois, Mrs. R. O. Doremus, Mrs. W. F. Dinsmore, Mrs. Wm. M. Evarts, Mrs. A. B. Eno, Mrs. James O. Fargo, Mrs. Fielden, Mrs. Frossard, Mrs. Wm. Frothingham, Mrs. A. French, Mrs. A. A. Fraser, Mrs. Godon, Mrs. C. K. Garrison, Mrs. C. Whitlock Gray, Mrs. Wm. T. Garner, Mrs. Walter S. Gurnee, Mrs. Edward Hudson, Mrs. Richard H. Hunt, Mrs. T. Hicks, Mrs. James P. Hoy, Mrs. William A. Hadden, Mrs. G. G. Howe, Mrs. R. H. Miller, Mrs. Edward D. Morgan, Mrs. Isaac P. Martin, Mrs. D. Cozzens Murray, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Joseph Marie, Mrs. John B. Marshall, Mrs. McKinley, Mrs. George W. McLean, Mrs. R. H. Macy, Mrs. John McGinnis, Mrs. T. P. Cook, Mrs. Henry Meyer, Mrs. William Morgan, Mrs. Wm. de F. Manice, Mrs. Geo. B. McClellan, Mrs. James Morris, Mrs. E. W. McOuns, Mrs. Charles O'Conor, Mrs. J. Pierson, Mrs. S. Pleasonton, Mrs. C. L. Perkins, Mrs. Royal Phelps, Mrs. William Pell, Jr., Mrs. Powers, Mrs. John H. Power, Mrs. J. J. Roosevelt, Mrs. Alexander Taylor, Mrs. James S. Thayer, Mrs. Montgomery Throop, Mrs. D. E. Turner, Mrs. Tiebe, Mrs. William Tracy, Mrs. L. Turnure, Mrs. B. N. Tailer, Mrs. Cozzens Von Hoffman, Mrs. C. W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. P. L. Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Montgomerie Ward, Mrs. T. G. Walker, Mrs. Aug. Whiting, Mrs. Mary C. Whitney, Mrs. J. L. Wallack, Mrs. Coventry Waddell, Mrs. M. W. Ward, Mrs. G. Cabot Ward, Mrs. W. H. Wells, Mrs. H. G. Wright, Mrs. J. Kearney Warren, Mrs. J. Grant Wilson, Mrs. Richard S. Willis, Mrs. Chas. E. Whitehead, Mrs. E. H. Wootten, Mr. J. G. Cross, Mr. William B. Cooper, Mr. E. G. Chapman, Mr. Walter Carlton, Dr. Thomas Cottman, Mr. Edward Dibble, Mr. Samuel B. Dana, Mr. Richard G. Dana, Mr. Cornelius Du Bois, Jr., Mr. De Peyster,

CHILIAN AFFAIRS.

The Virgin's Feast Day—Reception of the American Minister—Remarks at Gov. Root and Reply of President Pereira—Earthquake Shocks—The Crops.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

SANTIAGO DE CHILI, Saturday, Dec. 3, 1870.

Today is the first day of the "Sanctisima Vergen," and our cars are defeaned with the din of the bells. The stores are closed and the "chilianos" are at ease or in bed. To-night, Cimarosa Park will again delight the gaiety-loving, or, rather, pleasure-loving Santiagoans who visited the city expressly. The rain has failed to make a deep impression, and will be remembered long after her visible self shall have passed from Chilian shores. To-night, also, will be the annual union of residents speaking the English language. Here, far from their native land, in a country so different, and among people so peculiar, it is a luxury once a year to meet together and hear your own tongue, think and act natural. To fully enjoy such a meeting, one must be among strange people, with strange habits, customs and language. Here, however, it can scarcely be made national, as there are but few Americans.

RECEPTION OF THE AMERICAN MINISTER.

Last week, our new Minister, Gov. J. P. Root, was publicly received by the President. Notice having been inserted in all the papers on the day previous that the reception would be public, a goodly number of the best men of the city and many Senators and Deputies were present. At a few minutes before 2 P. M. the state carriage drove up with the Minister, accompanied by Gen. J. C. CALDWELL, (United States Consul at Valparaiso and acting Chargé d' Affaires,) and one of the President's staff. They were first conducted to the apartments of the Secretary of Foreign Relations, where the Minister was introduced by Gen. CALDWELL to the Secretary, Don DEZIDERIO FRAIZ. At 2 P. M. the doors of the audience-chamber were opened, and Gov. ROOT was introduced to the President, Jose JOAQUIN PEREZ. The following is a translation from the *Ferrocarril*, of Santiago, dated Saturday, Dec. 3, 1870:

As we announced, his Excellency the President of the Republic received yesterday Mr. J. P. ROOT, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of America, to our Government. In the act of placing in the hands of the President the credentials of Mr. ROOT spoke thus: Mr. President, I have the honor to present my credentials as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Chili, and, in so doing, I take great pleasure in conveying to your Excellency the cordial sentiments of friendship in which the President and people of the Republic I have the honor to represent hold the President and people of Chili. The Government and inhabitants of my country deeply sympathize with and feel actively interest in the Republics of South America, some of which, like Chili, have established Republics of Chili, so rapidly being developed by the energy, enterprise and progressive spirit of her rulers and people in all that makes a nation prosperous and happy. It also gives me great satisfaction to assure your Excellency, and through you the President of your most delightful country, that, to the utmost of my power, both official and personal, I shall at all times use my earnest endeavors to more firmly cement and harmoniously unite and perpetuate the amicable relations now existing between the Republics of Chili and the United States of North America. His Excellency replied: Mr. Minister, in the name of the people of Chili, who already hold you among their most esteemed guests, I give you the most expressive good wishes which this Republic owes you for your good opinion. You may be sure that I will, for my part, continue in an unvarying policy of strengthening more and more the ties and relations of friendship existing between Chili and the great Republic of the North, which you have the honor to represent. By the help of the mutual sympathy of the two peoples, I hope there will be no difficulty in attaining so desirable a object. Mr. Minister, that your residence in this country may be agreeable to you.

Here follows a copy of the credentials, and at the close the following significant paragraph:

"The Camara (Chamber) of Senators did not have a session yesterday for want of a quorum."

INCIDENTS.

The President is a man about seventy years of age, of good proportions as to size and form. He stands erect, and his neat appearance, gentlemanly manner and intelligent countenance commands respect. He was dressed in a plain black suit, and as a mark of his station wore a red, white and blue sash extending from his right arm across his breast. During the reading of Minister ROOT's remarks, which were made in the Minister's language, the President was "weighing him" and "taking his measure." At the close of his own remarks (delivered in Spanish) and the withdrawal of many persons assembled, a few minutes were devoted to social conversation, which being ended the Governor was reconducted to the carriage and driven to his hotel. The reception was very pleasant and was very satisfactory to all parties. Congress is now occupied passing their annual bill of Ways and Means, which they consider item by item. An effort is being made to adopt our plan, which will save much time and labor.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

On the 26th of last month, we had an earthquake, felt all over Chili, more severe than any having preceded it during twelve or fifteen years. No damage was done but some people were rather frightened. It differed from other shocks by a rolling motion as if carried by a wave. There were two distinct waves about three seconds apart. They warped the buildings so as to throw pendents three inches out of perpendicular.

THE CROPS.

The harvest is progressing finely, the crops being larger than usual. Wheat, oats, barley will supply a full crop. Small fruits are abundant and of a good quality. PALMYRA.

A Train Thrown From the Track of the Michigan Southern and Lake Shore Railroad—A Supposed Plot to Rob the Passengers.

From the Chicago Journal, Jan. 13.

The passenger-train from the East on the Michigan Southern and Lake Shore Railroad, due here at 8 o'clock last evening, met with an accident which might have cost the lives of a great many passengers, had the circumstances of locality and the slow rate of speed at which the train was running not been favorable to those on board the train.

On approaching Rolling Prairie, a few miles east of Laporte, Ind., speed was slackened somewhat, but the descent of the grade was quite perceptible. The train rushed on and struck the switch frog, which had a piece of wood wedged into it in such a manner that when the flanges of the engine-wheels struck it, the machine was thrown completely clear off the main track and landed on the side track. The rest of the train was served in a similar manner, save that the cars were alternately lodged on the right and left sides of the main track. There were at this particular locality several cattle guards, at short intervals, and the bouncing cars jumped over and into these promiscuously, and stuck, which no doubt prevented a serious wreck. None of the passengers received injuries, though they were jostled about in a manner peculiar to the sudden checking of a railroad train. The track was torn up in a violent manner by the fractious frogs, and, taken all in all, it was a very narrow escape from wholesale slaughter.

There are already theories afloat as to the probable motive of the perpetrator of the foul deed. One is that there was a good deal of indignation felt by parties in the vicinity of the disaster, as the result of the late PARKER-RUDOLPH billiard match, they having lost all their money on the latter. Supposing that PARKER would be through on this train they thought to way-lay him. There are other and diverse explanations volunteered, but none of them seem very plausible. We predict that when dissected the scheme will be found to be one of the most dastardly plots for the sake of plunder that has been heard of for some time.

The Public Schools of New-Orleans—Negro Children as Pupils.

From the New-Orleans Picayune, Jan. 12.

Three of the children admitted into the Madison Girl's School, this week, are colored. They are FANNY and EMMA DUNN, and CHARLOTTE KENNEDY, adopted children of Lieut.-Gov. OSCAR J. DUNN. They were brought to the Madison School, on Tuesday, by their foster mother, Mrs. DUNN, and admitted by the principal, Miss CARRIE KASSON. FANNY DUNN and CHARLOTTE KENNEDY were admitted into the principal's department, and EMMA DUNN into the second assistant's department. They are the first pupils known to be colored, who, as Miss KASSON informs us, have ever obtained admittance into the Madison Girls' School. In consequence of the mixed-school question being thus suddenly brought to an issue, two pupils of Miss KASSON's department left the school yesterday. Miss KASSON told us that they were her best pupils. As matters stand, it is suggested that other parents will also take their children from the Madison School.

From the Principal of the Madison Girls' School, we further learn that, on a written order of THOS. W. CONWAY, State Superintendent of Public Education, six colored boys have been admitted into the Bienville Boys' School. In other schools which we visited yesterday, the attempt of having negroes admitted had not yet been made. Grave fears are, however, entertained, now that the outrageous work has been inaugurated.

Since writing the above we ascertained that the St. Philip Boys' School, on St. Philip-street, has, like the Girl and Bienville schools, been [illegible] with colored pupils. Three of them were transferred from the Douglass University to this St. Philip School. A week ago, we learn, a negro boy applied for admission at the St. Philip School. Mr. MEYLOR, the Principal, peremptorily refused to admit him, unless he could produce a permit signed by the President of the City School Board. It appears that thereupon representations were made to THOMAS W. CONWAY, the State official furnished the applicant with a written order demanding his admission, which was complied with.

From conversations we have had with several public school teachers, it appears that the mixing of the public schools has silently and gradually been going on ever since the Ward Boards assumed control. The teachers, for fear of losing their places, keep silent, the continuance of their employment in the public schools depending a matter of bread and butter with them.

OBSTRUCTING COLORED VOTERS.

The Camden Election Riots—Trial Before the United States District Court.

The trial of the Camden, N. J., election riot case was commenced yesterday before a struck jury in the United States District Court at Trenton. The cases excite a great deal of interest from the fact that they are the first which have arisen under the law to enforce the Fifteenth Amendment, and because of the large number of persons indicted. The Court-room was crowded with interested spectators. The counsel of the Government consisted of District-Attorney KEARBY and his assistant, Mr. KING, while in behalf of the defendant appeared Messrs. BROWNING, WILLIAMSON, VOORHEES and HUGG.

The first person put upon trial was FRANCIS LANDER, who is charged with forcibly preventing certain colored men, who are named, from exercising the right of suffrage at an election held for member of Congress in Newton township, Camden County, on the 8th of November last. District-Attorney KEARBY said that the Government expected to prove that at a school-house in Newton, Camden County, in November last, an election was being held for State Senator and for a Representative in Congress; that at such an election a large number of colored men recently enfranchised were present to vote. These men found a feeling of bitterness existing against them, and threats were made of violently preventing them from voting. Wishing to avoid a collision, they arranged to go early to the polls, before the excitement could become very great, and vote, then go quietly home. In accordance with this arrangement, some 200 of these men were at the polls at 7 o'clock in the morning. There being so many there, and it being impossible to enter without obstructing each other, they formed a line and voted as they came up to the polls. A disturbance took place which arose from a challenge, and the line was broken, but reformed about 10 o'clock. Constable SANDERS and others demanded several times that the line be broken. The reply was that all could take their places in the line and vote in turn. This refusal to break the line so enraged SANDERS, HENRY and others, that they organized an attack upon the line, rushed across its head and crowded the voters from the polls with violence, and using whatever weapons were at hand. SANDERS and his friends then shut the door and declared that now they had possession of the polls and meant to keep them; that the "damned niggers" had had it long enough. He should also show that SANDERS fired several pistol-shots, one at a man lying on the floor, and another from the window into the crowd; that in the afternoon three colored men came quietly to vote, and were in a crowd or in a line, and that SANDERS and others set upon them and kicked them from the room; that about 4 o'clock the ballot-box was taken out and broken to pieces. He expected to show that SANDERS was the leading spirit in all this violence, and that the colored men when set upon were standing quietly awaiting their turn to vote.

In substantiation of these facts the following witnesses were examined: R. H. BROWN, R. E. MORGAN, JAS. P. BAIRD and W. H. THOMSON. Their statements were in corroboration of the statements of the District-Attorney, and a severe cross-examination elicited nothing favorable to the defense. In the course of BROWN's testimony, he said the colored men were peaceful and quiet, and approached the polls with their ballots in their hands, without using any insulting language or creating any disorder. When the disturbance first commenced, HENRY and others caught some of the colored men and pulled them out of the line. All was quiet after this until about 9 o'clock, when HENRY SANDERS and a crowd came in, and saying, "The colored men had voted long enough," threw themselves on them, and with clubs beat the colored men out of the room. After the colored men were driven out they rallied and got the door partly open, when they were fired at.

The witness also gave an account of the attack upon three colored men late in the day. The Court adjourned late in the afternoon until today at 10 o'clock. The trial will probably continue during the week.

New-Jersey State Temperance Convention.

The State Temperance Convention held in Taylor Hall, Trenton, yesterday, was very largely attended by representatives of the temperance societies from all parts of the State. A temporary organization was effected at noon, by the election of Col. BORENTON, of Warren County, as Chairman. The chair was followed by a few remarks from Rev. Mr. VAN MERAR, of the Howard Mission, who introduced his class of youthful singers. The Convention adjourned, after the appointment of committees, until 2 o'clock P. M. Upon reassembling a permanent organization was effected by the election of the following-named officers:

President, J. H. Garey, of Essex; Vice-Presidents, Hon. John W. Hazleton, of Gloucester; James D. Shreve, of Burlington; E. R. Bullock, of Hunterdon; W. D. Russel, of Essex; A. G. P. Sequin, of Morris; Secretaries, T. B. Stout, Rev. G. R. Morrow, and A. R. Perrine.

The Convention adopted a series of resolutions after a brief debate, declaring in favor of laws based on the principle of local prohibition, and earnestly petitioning the Legislature to enact such a law.

In the evening an address was delivered by Rev. Mr. Cuyler, of Brooklyn.

Fires Last Night.

A fire occurred last evening at No. 316 East Thirteenth-street, occupied as a dwelling by T. C. TOWNSEND. The flames originated on the fourth floor, and the furniture was damaged by water to the extent of $500, and the building to the extent of $1,000, both covered by insurance. The edifice belongs to the Morris estate.

At 9½ o'clock last night a fire broke out on the first floor of premises No. 450 Pearl-street, a three-story brick and frame building. The first floor is occupied by J. CLARK, picture-frame maker, who sustained a loss of $1,000 in stock, fully insured in the Williamsburg City, Stuyvesant, Pacific and other City companies. Mr. CARO occupies the second floor as a dwelling, having his furniture damaged to the extent of $1,500; insured in the Pacific. The second floor rear is occupied by THEODORE SHAY as a dwelling; loss $800, insured in the Security. The third floor is occupied by ABRAM HARLEM and D. DAVIS, who each lost $200 by water; fully insured. Mrs. GOLDWATER, in the attic, sustained a loss of $200; insured in the Germania. The occupants were with difficulty rescued, owing to the defective entrance. The flames perplexed the firemen so that they at first failed to extinguish them. They broke out again, causing a second alarm, which did now, however, result in any great additional damage.

A second alarm was given at 11:20 o'clock, caused by flames being discovered on the roof of No. 422 Pearl-street. The following losses were sustained: CHILDS & SMITH, dealers in paper hangings, first floor, $300; insured. JOHN MCCUDDEN, second floor; loss on furniture, $1,200; insured in the Manhattan for $1,500. WM. LAGORE, third floor; furniture damaged to the extent of $300; fully insured. The building was damaged to the extent of about $1,500, and was insured.

At 11 o'clock a third fire broke out on the second floor of No. 88 Nassau-street, occupied in part by A. S. JAEGAR, jewelry-case maker, who sustained a loss of $1,000 by fire and water. LOWENBERG, DANIEL & Co., advertising agents, sustained a loss of $100 on office furniture. Several other occupants having office rooms on the second and third floors also sustained slight losses. IRA FERREGO & SONS, dealers in furnishing goods, had their stock damaged to the extent of $2,000. The building, name of owner unknown, was damaged about $2,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The Hudson County (N. J.) Grand Jury—Important Recommendations.

The January term of the Hudson County Courts commenced yesterday, Judge BEDLE presiding. The following are the names of the Grand Jurors: Dudley S. Gregory, Jr., Foreman; Jacob M. Merselas, C. D. Mills, A. S. Jewell, A. Ingwarson, W. H. Childs, Ralph Thomas, Wm. Brick, J. Van Winkle, Isaac Freese, Jr., Peter Henderson, J. J. Bandschultz, Charles W. Allen, Jacob Newkirk, John Frost, U. Savage, George Vreeland, Jr., Abram Phelps, E. C. Bernhold, Louis Becker, Jasper Waudle, Job Falkenberg.

The Court, immediately after opening, instructed the jury in a number of matters of more general interest.

Judge BEDLE particularly referred to the disloyalty of the members of the City Government in contracts which were awarded by those bodies. If this were allowed, the public good must be always subservient to private gain. He instructed the jury that if any case of this kind should be presented, it would be well to find indictments. The same remarks applied to the Board of Freeholders. The jury was also instructed to look particularly into the matter of election frauds, and to the selling of liquor upon election days.

The Bassed Forgery Case.

ARTHUR K. BASSED was arraigned before Justice HOGAN, yesterday, at the Tombs, on a charge of forgery. He presented a draft purporting to have been drawn in favor of L. B. [illegible] by Francis [illegible], upon the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank, in that city, for $9,000, to Mr. HENRY T. KOW, Treasurer of the New-Jersey and Midland Railroad Company. A railroad bond for $2,000 was then purchased at market prices. Mr. LOW giving BASSED a check on Messrs. GEORGE OPDYKE & Co., bankers, at No. 32 Nassau-street, for $667, the balance due on the transaction. A few days after a telegram was received from FOLGER & CO. that the draft was a forgery; so Judge LOW notified his bankers to stop the check, which had been dated ahead to the 15th inst., and was astonished to find that the date of the check was changed to the 4th inst., and duly accepted and paid. BASSED has thus committed a double forgery. He made no defense to the charge, and, without any legal assistance, decided to waive his right to an examination, and give bail for trial. Owing to the absence of the cashier who paid the check, and the draft now on its way back from New-Orleans, no decision as to bail could be entered. BASSED accordingly went back to his cell.

MORE GRANT CLUBS.

Reorganization of the Eleventh Assembly District Republican Campaign Club.

At a meeting of the Republican Campaign Club of the Eleventh Assembly District, held at No. 1,209 Broadway, last evening, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The club known as the Republican Campaign Club of the Eleventh Assembly District was organized for the purpose of advocating and advancing the interests of republicanism in this district and City, and did so far as possible contribute during the late canvass to that end, supporting by its votes and means the regular nominees of the Republican Party, and contributing its share of labor in the work of reducing the fraudulent majority of the Tammany Ring, and the corrupt Democracy of the State now in power; therefore,

Resolved, That we do here and now renew our assurances of devotion to the Republican Party and its principles of justice and liberty, and do pledge ourselves to continue our labors until success shall crown the efforts of the great Republican Party by the total overthrow of the Democratic power in the Empire State.

Resolved, That the Administration of Gen. GRANT has fully met the expectations of the patriotic masses who placed him in the chair and statesmen in the Presidential chair. And feeling as we do that no other leader can give such strength to the Republican Party, or such assurance of the permanent establishment of Republican principles, we deem it our duty to proclaim him our standard-bearer for the coming contest of 1872, and do resolve to continue the organization to be known as the "Grant Club" of the Eleventh Assembly District of the City of New-York.

The following gentlemen were unanimously elected as officers of the Club and delegates to the Central Committee for the ensuing year:

President, John H. White; First Vice-President, Chauncey D. Murray; Second Vice-President, Isaac C. Cross; Recording Secretary, Knox McAfee; Treasurer, James Ryan and Patrick Quinn, Night Inspectors; C. B. Sperman and Samuel Dawa, Messengers, and James Foster Storekeeper.

Lawyer Jones' Counsel About the Nathan Murder.

A comical scene was enacted at the Court of General Sessions yesterday. A certain lawyer JONES, who has been busy for the past few days in writing silly stories about the alleged discovery of the NATHAN murderer for the newspapers, openly charged one JAMES HUGHES with being the assassin. HUGHES came before the Court on a charge of stealing $60 from THOMAS J. OWENS. He was bailed 'Oneil by Mr. VARDENBROOKT, the Clerk, after which JONES announced himself as counsel for HUGHES, and that the latter's friends had engaged him to defend the prisoner. At this announcement HUGHES cut up indignantly and said he did not want to have anything to do with such a lawyer; that he knew nothing about law; that he was trying to bring ridiculous charges against him. He concluded by calling JONES a mean, base, and intriguing fellow, with whom he would have nothing to do. JONES demanded that the trial be set down for yesterday week, to give him time to perfect the chain of evidence which he had wound around the accused. He said that he solemnly accused him of the murder of BENJAMIN NATHAN in cold blood. He said that he had the sworn testimony of a man who had forfeited his own neck by the admission that HUGHES was the very man who perpetrated that fiend and bloody deed. Judge BEDLE then said that the charge was certainly a very serious one which he had brought against his client, and that he would adjourn the case for one week, at the end of which time the Court would expect him to substantiate the charge.

Demilt Dispensary—Annual Report.

A meeting was held at the Demilt Dispensary, corner of Second-avenue and Twenty-third-street, last evening, to receive the annual report, and for the election of officers. The report shows that 26,904 new patients have been attended during 1870; 22,082 of these were treated at the Dispensary, and 4,121 at their homes; 11,573 were under fifteen years of age, and 14,622 adults; 13,458 natives of the United States, and 13,776 of other countries. The vaccinations amounted to 2,421. Prescriptions, 56,290. In the twenty years since this Dispensary was organized, 460,483 persons have received medical or surgical advice, and 906,876 prescriptions have been dispensed gratuitously to the sick poor in the Eighteenth and Twenty-first Wards. The officers elected for 1871 are: President—FREDERICK E. MATHER; First Vice-President—Charles C. Savage; Second Vice-President—Peter McMartin; Treasurer—James C. Holden; Secretary—Jos. Gillet; Managers—Frederick E. Mather, Nathaniel Hayden, Charles Tracy, Charles C. Savage, Peter McMartin, Joseph W. Patterson, William H. Wells, James C. Holden, Joseph Gillet, Moses G. Baldwin, Robert Hoe, Jr., Oliver Harriman, John N. Hayward, Frederick R. Goddard, Thomas A. Cummins, George Palen, Edward C. Chapin, Joseph C. Jackson, Dewitt C. Hays, Stephen Cutter, Wm. Phelps, Rowland R. Hazzard, Jr., Andrew F. Hastings, Wm. F. Mott and George C. Clark.

Work Before the New-Jersey Legislature.

The redistricting of this State has already been considered by some of the leading men, and although there is a deep feeling against imitating the infamous "gerrymandering" legislation of the Democracy ten years since, the districts will be constituted as far as possible in Republican interests. Under the new apportionment bill, New-Jersey will gain two Congressmen, and as the increase of population is largely in the counties adjacent to New-York, the new members come from that section. It is proposed to make Essex County one district, and Hudson and Bergen Counties another. New Assembly districts will be formed out of Essex, and Hudson, Bergen, Passaic and Morris Counties, and Hunterdon, Warren, Sussex and Gloucester each lose one member.

The ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment will also probably be among the early acts of legislation, the Republicans of New-Jersey desiring to put the State on record as assenting to this important part of the organic law.

The drainage of the meadows on the Passaic and Hackensack Rivers will be brought before the Legislature at an early day. Mr. FURES has already drained that portion adjoining the Passaic, and is grazing cattle and raising corn on the reclaimed land. Mr. DURAND proposes a similar measure for Bergen County, and proposes to make it on a smaller plan, and to [illegible] the expense [illegible].

In the United States District Court [illegible] jury will be selected for the trial of the rioters at the Newtown, (Camden County,) election last November. The Grand Lodge of the Freemasons will meet on Wednesday for the election of officers and hearing of reports. The order in this State now numbers over 100 lodges. The Historical Society will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, and listen to a paper by A. O. KHASBERY, of Newark, on "The Life and Public Services of the Late Judge Richard Fenton." The annual meeting of the New-Jersey Editorial Convention will also be held on Wednesday, when a committee will be appointed to make arrangements for their annual excursion next Summer.

Destitution in the Fifth Ward.

Notwithstanding the generous efforts of our benevolent associations, and the exceeding liberality of many private citizens, a great amount of suffering exists in several parts of the City. In the Fifth Ward, within a stone's throw of the largest dry-goods warehouse in the City, and within the shadow of the brazen monument of a great millionaire, families are suffering for want of bread. About 100 children attend an industrial school at No. 145 Hudson-street, many of whom get no clothing and little food but what is supplied by their teachers; and it often occurs that a boy or girl will bear a loaf from their teacher to carry home for their supper to their mother or younger brothers and sisters. This school, which is under the auspices of the Children's Aid Society, is effecting a very important work among the most incorrigible youngsters to be found anywhere; for poverty seems to be a partner with ignorance in the propagation of mischief and crime. Under the judicious management of Miss MALLORY, a standard of order prevails and a proficiency in studies obtains which reflect the greatest credit on her principalship. But it is discouraging to have to teach children day after day, whose greatest want is something to eat, without being able to supply it. Let some of our wealthy merchants in the Fifth Ward help them.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

Special agent JAMES SAYLOR, of the Post-office Department, made a complaint before Commissioner OSBORN yesterday, against JOHN T. LAWRENCE, a letter-carrier, for embezzling, as alleged, letters containing money. Some of the money was marked and was identified on being found in the possession of the accused, who was sent to Ludlow-street Jail in default of $5,000 bail to await an examination.

On Monday evening, the annual reunion of the New-York Skating Club took place at the club-room, Forty-sixth-street and Fifth-avenue. The room was filled by over one hundred members, with their lady friends, who enjoyed a most pleasant evening at dancing to music appropriate to the occasion. The Reception Committee and others were most attentive to the comfort of all. The Club is the oldest and largest, and includes the highest skating talent in the country. Most of the oldest members and members retain their connection with it, and on such occasions as this recall many happy reminiscences.

EMIL FIRCHER, late manager of the brewery of ARTHUR DELEZENE, in Fifty-sixth-street, near Eleventh-avenue, was charged in the Yorkville Police Court with stealing nine barrels of whisky, and embezzling small sums of money at different times. Mr. DELEZENE stated that he was certain FIRCHER had dishonestly appropriated $2,000 during the last year, but he could not swear to anything except the taking of $5. With regard to the alleged stealing of the whisky, it came out that there had been some bargain about it. Justice COULTER adjourned the further hearing of the case till the week after next.

A meeting of gentlemen owning property fronting on Gramercy Park, was held at the Gramercy Park House, Monday evening, Mr. JAMES W. GERARD presiding. Resolutions protesting against the proposed extension of Lexington-avenue through Gramercy Park, were adopted, and a committee was appointed to prepare a remonstrance to the Legislature, and "to employ proper persons to go to Albany" to attend to their interests in the matter.

Col. JOHN E. GOWAN, the American engineer who raised the sunken ships in the harbor of Sevastopol, after the Crimean War, will read a paper on the "Floatation of Vessels by Means of Buoyant Docks," before the New-York Society of Practical Engineering, in the Cooper Union Building, this (Wednesday) evening. Other papers, on "Subaqueous War Torpedoes," and on "Improved Tramways for City Streets," will be read.

PATRICK BRIODDY yesterday quarreled with his wife ROSANNA, in the shanty at the corner of Fourth-avenue and One Hundred and Sixteenth-street, occupied by the couple, and finally assaulting her kicked her with such violence that her leg was broken. She was removed to Bellevue Hospital, and he being arrested was committed by Justice MCQUADE for trial.

The Board of Police yesterday dismissed Patrolmen JAMES LITTLE, MICHAEL NALLY and ANDREW STEWART, all of the Eighteenth Precinct. The resignation of the patrolman JOHN MAGUIRE, Eleventh Precinct, whose exploits in the Eighth Ward, a few evenings since, have been published in the TIMES, was received and accepted. "Ill health" was assigned as the reason for its tender.

AUGUST MARCUS, aged twelve years, who has been confined at Ludlow-street Jail for nearly nine weeks, on a charge of opening a Post-office letter, was brought before Commissioner OSBORN, yesterday, for examination. The Commissioner concluded that he had already undergone sufficient imprisonment for his offense, and therefore ordered his discharge.

The statement that Rev. THEO. L. CUYLER preached a sermon before the Twenty-third Regiment, of Brooklyn, on Sunday last, is incorrect, the fact being that the Chaplain, Rev. NORMAN SEAVER, of the Henry-street Presbyterian Church, delivered the sermon at his own church.

The grand prize distribution for the benefit of the Soldiers' Orphans will probably occur this week, as the tickets have nearly all been sold. The line of prizes is exceedingly valuable, as may be seen by reference to our advertising columns.

Late last night, WM. RYER, of No. 750 Washington-street, quarreled with LOUIS GURKE, of No. 152 Tenth-street, at the corner of Houston and Wooster streets, and Ryan fired a revolver at his opponent, failing to hit him. Both men were arrested by the Eighth Ward Police.

JOHN BOHLAN, a German, aged forty-eight, was found dead in bed yesterday at No. 635 Eleventh-avenue. The inmates of the house notified Coroner HERMANN that they supposed the deceased had poisoned himself. A post-mortem examination will be made by Dr. JOHN BEACH.

The steam-ship *Alaska*, 4,011 tons register, Capt. GRAY, of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship line, is loading for Melbourne, mainly with provisions, of which she has already secured 600 tons at seventy-five shillings per ton.

BROOKLYN.

JAMES CUNNINGHAM, a laborer of forbidding appearance, residing at No. 27 President-street, was arrested, yesterday morning, for having on the preceding night beaten and knocked his wife so severely that her life is despaired of. Justice DELMAR committed him to await the result of his victim's injuries.

The following officers for the Brooklyn Central Dispensary were elected yesterday: President, Col. M. Bennett; First Vice-President, Wm. H. Wallace; Second Vice-President, Rhodes; Treasurer, John S. Mackay; Secretary, James Rorke. Medical Staff—Consulting Surgeons, Joseph C. Hutchison, Geo. R. Smith; Consulting Physicians, Wm. W. Reese, J. H. H. Burge; House Physician, Thomas Wilde; Attending Physicians—First-class, Surgery, Eye and Ear, Isaac H. Barber, James A. Blanchard; Second-class, Throat and Chest, Frank Rockwell, Peter R. Cortelyou; Third-class, Women and Children, Henry C. Turner, Thomas P. Norris.

The case of WILLIAM LANE, Superintendent of the Government Works at Fort Hamilton, who is charged with the misappropriation of considerable quantities of stores, came up yesterday morning for hearing before United States Commissioner WINSLOW. The facts elicited differed in no respect from those already published in connection with the case.

In the Court of Sessions, yesterday, HENRY LANE was sent to the Penitentiary for six months for burglary in the third degree. THOMAS GARNEY was "sent up" for burglary in the second degree, and SAMUEL THOMAS, a colored boy, was sent to the House of Refuge for theft.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Officers RILEY, BROWN and CROUSE, of the Morrisania Police, yesterday arrested a powerful and desperate fellow, hailing from New-York, who with a confederate entered a number of stores and saloons in Morrisania and helped themselves to what they could lay their hands upon and then walked off. They also stopped sundry persons in the streets and demanded their money. The offender was secured and lodged in a cell at the Town Hall with great difficulty, as he showed fight. The other fellow, who had two of the stolen watches in his possession, succeeded in escaping. Officer RILEY, had two of his hands badly injured. Officers BROWN and CROUSE assisted the fellow to answer for the offense.

MICHAEL MINTURN, GEORGE MEEKER, and a third party who refused to give his name, were arrested on Monday evening, on a charge of having entered the smoke-house on the premises of the County Poor-house, and stolen from a quantity of hams valued at $200. The young man, who had constituted one of their gang, having failed to get what he considered his share of plunder in one of their operations, gave information which led to their arrest. Some of the stolen hams, also a quantity of [illegible] and other property, were found in the possession of the prisoners.

LONG ISLAND.

Within a few days the small-pox has broken out in Hunter's Point and the adjoining ward of Dutch Kills. A new case was reported yesterday in Ninth-street, near Central-avenue. The City authorities as yet have done nothing to arrest its progress, and it is feared unless the matter is taken in hand soon, and vigorous measures adopted, its spread will become general.

NEW-JERSEY.

A fine concert was given at Library Hall, Elizabeth, on Monday evening, for the benefit of Westminster Church Sunday-school, at which Miss JENNIE E. BULL, Miss BREEM, and others, of New-York, sang, with great acceptance, to a large and fashionable audience.

The Board of Water Commissioners have taken steps to prevent the recurrence of a scarcity of water in Jersey City. They will immediately erect an additional stand-pipe at Bellville, so that in case of an accident to the new one erected, no difficulty will occur. They have ordered that plans for another reservoir, adjoining the one now in use, be immediately prepared, and have also authorized the purchase of ground at Hudson City, on the Heights, for the erection at an early date, of a third reservoir.

A man named CONNELLY got into a drunken row with his wife yesterday morning, at No. 120 Stanton-street, when she seized a pruning-knife and stabbed him between the shoulders, inflicting serious injuries. She is held to await the results of her husband's injuries.

The Finance Committee of the Jersey City Common Council reported to the Council at the regular meeting, that liabilities due by the City to the amount of $475,000 had been paid since the commencement of the present year. This gratifying report was received with great satisfaction.

The taxable values of real and personal property in New-Jersey is $630,341,028, according to the valuation for 1870. There was an increase in taxable value for one year of $68,000,000, against $30,000,000 increase for the previous year.

Mrs. PHELISTINE VAN BLONKE, an old colored woman, aged 108 years, died in Newark on Monday.

ARMY AND NAVY RECORD.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—A general order of the War Department issued today, states that the army being reorganized, and conformed to the present legal standard, the Secretary of War and the General staff upon officers of all grades and in all branches of the army, it is deemed proper to relieve officers from the task of raising the military establishment to the highest degree of discipline, efficiency and economy. To this end, a number of orders relative to officers traveling on duty, recruiting service, retired officers, &c., are republished and issued as a part of the general order. Capt. Geo. R. Dandy is relieved from duty in the Department of the Pacific, and ordered to the Department of Dakota, reporting to Capt. E. R. Caring, who is ordered on duty at Fortress Monroe, Va.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 16.—FLOUR in good demand and steady; 800 bbls. sold principally at $6 for City-ground Spring, and $6 75 for do. Rye. WHEAT quiet and firm; $1 31 refused for No. 2 Milwaukee Club; sales, 1,600 bushels White Canada Cheat at $1 40. CORN firmer with good demand; sales 2,000 bushels New at 60c.; some asking 70c. OATS dull at 33½c.@34c.; no sales. RYE in good demand; sales 10,000 bushels at 80c. BARLEY quiet and unchanged; sales 1,700 bushels Canadian at 65c. PEAS—Market bare. GRASS SEED; Clover nominal at $8; Timothy firmer and higher; sales 300 bbls. at $3 75. BUCKWHEAT nominal at $2 75@$3. WHISKY—Sales of 150 bbls. Ohio at $1 16. CORN MEAL quiet; Jersey at $3 10@$3 25. CATTLE—Receipts, 117 cars, which, with the 18 cars held over, make the supply for the week 135 cars, against 91 same day of last week. Market opened dull, and on the whole a shade lower than at the close last week—fully ½c. on fair to good. Sales, 40 head Kentucky Steers, averaging 1,427 lbs., at 6½; 16 Ohio do. 1,326 lbs., at 6½, and 15 do., 1,176 lbs., at 6½. SHEEP—Market dragging; no sales. HOGS—Fully opened, but 573 head Indiana, averaging 86 lbs., at $4 60. Hogs—Of 26 car-loads received this week, 19 went East in first hands; considerable activity prevails, and prices have advanced full 25c. since last report. Yesterday. The sales were 195 head, averaging 230 lbs.; and 84 do., 203 lbs., at $7; 114 do., 222 lbs., $7 12½; 181 do., 196 lbs., and 120 do., 191 lbs., and 100 do., 211 lbs., at $7 25; 3 car-loads dressed Western Hogs were disposed of at $7 95 @ 8 cwt.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 17.—COTTON inactive; prices drooping. Middling, 14½c.; net receipts, 73 bales; gross, 508 bales; sales, 418 bales; stock, 12,400 bales. FLOUR firm; transactions limited for want of stock; Howard-street Superfine, $5@$5 50; do. Extra, $6@$6 50; City Mills, $6@$6 25; Western Superfine, $5@$5 25; do. Extra, $6@$6 50; do. Family, $6@$6 75; do. Family, $6@$6 50; Western Superfine, $5@$5 25; do. Extra, $6 12½@$6 75; do. Family, $6 62½@$7 50. WHEAT scarce and firm; Pennsylvania Red, $1 30@$1 35; Western do., $1 30@$1 35; Prime, $1 35@$1 37; Prime to Choice Red, $1 40@$1 50; Fair to Good, $1 40@$1 45; Common, $1 32@$1 35; Ohio and Indiana, $1 40@$1 75; Pennsylvania, $1 40@$1 45. CORN firm; White, 75c.; Yellow, 75c.@76c.; OATS firm at 50c. PORK firm and advancing at $22. BACON firm and scarce; Rib sides, 11½c.; Clear Rib, 12½c.; Shoulders, 10½c.; Hams, 16c.@18c. LARD dull at 12c. WHISKY—Sales fair, and prices have advanced; sales were made at 92½c.@93c.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 17.—COTTON dull and lower; Middling, 14½c. FLOUR advancing and in active demand; Family, $4@$6. WHEAT firm, scarce, in fair demand and higher; Winter Red, $1 20@$1 25. CORN firmer and in moderate demand at 51c.@52c. RYE—Higher grades advanced; sales at 80c.@90c. OATS steady and in moderate demand at 36c.@40c. BARLEY quiet and unchanged. PROVISIONS irregular; speculative feeling still prevails. PORK—Old Demand, moderately at $21 50. Bulk MEATS sold moderately at 8c. for Shoulders, 10¼c.@10½c. for Sides. Green MEATS sold at 7¾c.@7½c. for Shoulders; 9¾c.@9½c. for Sides. BACON—Sales, 12c. for Shoulders, 11½c. for Sides and gut. 12c.@12½c. for prime Steam and Kettle. RACK—9½c.@10c. for Shoulders, 11¾c.@12c. for Clear Rib and Clear Sides. Live HOGS in active demand and higher; $7 50@$7 60; Dressed, $8@$8 25; receipts, 4,500 head. WHISKY firm at 87c.@90c. EXCHANGE lower; 1-10 off buying.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—FLOUR firm; Extra Spring, 13¼c. higher; sales at $5@$6. WHEAT dull; No. 2 Chicago Spring, $1 20 cash, and $1 21 seller February; this afternoon unsettled and heavy at $1 18¾ cash and January; $1 19¾@$1 19¾ seller February. CORN active and advanced ¼c.@ ¾c.; No. 2 Mixed, 47¼c. cash; 48c seller February; 48½c. seller March; 49c. seller May. OATS active and advan